

de La Motte

DeMOTTE
and
ALLIED FAMILIES — 1665-1977

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PREFACE

This history is to be an up-date of our family genealogy, first written by our Aunts, Phoebe Norman and Estella DeMotte Craig in 1953, entitled "DeMotte and Allied Families".

It contained all the knowledge known of our ancestry and family genealogy compiled from their exhaustive research from family records they had or obtained from other members, plus old church and county records they laboriously sought out. They did it so well, that their methods were the envy of many other genealogists. The book is so easily read, and each item is so straightforward, and done in such a manner that it is easy to follow the family line with no confusion, that is so inherent in so many genealogy records.

They incorporated the family records compiled by Sarah Marshall Buchannan in her book, "Kith and Kin", which is the records of the Rev. Daniel DeMotte branch of our family.

In addition to adding the up-date to this history, we will reprint "In Memoriam" Biography of Professor John Brewer DeMotte II published in 1908 by his wife, Lelia Washburn DeMotte.

We will include a reprint of the biography of Professor Wm. Holman DeMotte, written by his daughter, Amelia DeMotte in 1910.

A comprehensive and detailed history of Col. Mark Lindsay DeMotte will be written from material obtained from the Archives of Valparaiso University plus other sources. DeMotte, Indiana was named in his honor.

There will be many photographs of members of our family, past and present. We have many to choose from, and the selection will be done in such a manner that most of our family will be represented. We have many of great interest, and at least 100 will be used.

In the history, "Wm. Milton DeMotte, Union Cavalryman and Hoosier Doctor", some of the information and photos we now have were not available. We will try to cover more fully members of the Charles Albert, Hume Lawrence, and Frank Everett DeMotte families.

We wish to thank Mary Helen Bastady, Lucy DeMotte Dempsey, Estelle DeMotte Evans, Gladys Wineinger Ingalls, Raymond DeMotte Wineinger, Ruth DeMotte Baumgartner, Dr. James Mc Laughlin, Lou Anna DeMotte French, Victoria Althoff, Virginia Jacobsen, Ruth DeMotte Hook, Lee Roy and Helen DeMotte, and especial thanks to Washburn Payne DeMotte for the records in his Archives of the Rev. Daniel DeMotte's family, and many others.

We also wish to thank Mr. Robert W. Frizzell, Librarian, Illinois Wesleyan University, Miss Mary Ann Ford, Librarian of the Daily Pantagraph, Bloomington, Illinois, and especially, Miss Mary Jeanette Munce, grand-daughter of Professor Harvey Clelland De Motte for the records of his family and of the records of his distinguished career, as an educator of national note. We will have a detailed account of his family and career in this history.

The Archivist at De Pauw University was very helpful, having many family records that exist no where else.

The Archives at Valparaiso had a complete file of the career of Col. Mark L. DeMotte.

We wish this history containing the records of our family, to be factual in every sense, and to contain photographs and more detailed biographies of many members of our family.

We hope we will get all of the records of our family, and have tried diligently to contact most of our family. Information we do not receive will not be guessed about, as we wish this to be a true history and factual in every case.

Our Aunts were very careful and never used information except what could be verified. There were a few misprints, which we will correct in this book.

Their book is a "Collector's Item" and is on file at The University of Michigan, De Pauw University, and others. There are no copies left for sale or distribution, as few were printed in the first edition.

It will be an honor and privilege to do this history. We sincerely hope it will be of interest to our family.

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Estella De Motte Craig



Phoebe De Motte Norman

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ESTELLA DeMOTTE CRAIG

(Mrs. Clement Ellis) homemaker, historical and genealogical activist, Otwell. Of French Huguenot ancestry, she was born April 28, 1887, in Haysville, Indiana, and is the daughter of William Milton DeMotte, M.D., and Anna (Neihaus) DeMotte. After completing her preparatory studies she attended St. Rose Academy of Vincennes, Indiana. She then enrolled in Danville Central Normal College, Danville, Indiana; and continued her studies in Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana.

On February 8, 1909, she became the bride of Clement Ellis Craig, of Otwell, Indiana. Mrs. Craig volunteered assistance to the Methodist Mission School while her husband was connected with the Instituto Agronomico e Veterinario of the Escola de Engenharia, Porto Alegre, Rio Grande Do Sul, of Brazil, South America, from 1912 to 1914.

Other than performing her duties as a housewife she serves as a private music teacher. Her interests include historical and genealogical activities. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and has held the office of Regent, Treasurer, Librarian, Historian, and Genealogist. She also is a member of the Society of Indiana Pioneers, Huguenot Society of Indiana, American Association for State and Local History, Indiana State Historical Society, Pike County Historical Society, and Dubois County Historical Society. She is affiliated with the Republican Party. Mrs. Craig is most active in the Methodist Church, serving on the Board of Education, Membership and Evangelism. She has a life membership in the Woman's Society of Christian Services. She compiled a history of the Otwell Methodist Church for De Pauw University Archives.



Mildred De Motte
(1944)

PHOEBE DeMOTTE NORMAN

Born May 21, 1887, died July 19, 1975. Married March 7, 1909 to George Norman, D.V.M. She was born and raised in Pike Co., Indiana. She attended Oakland City College and taught in the common schools of Pike Co.

She and Dr. Norman lived in Jasper, Indiana all their married life. They had one daughter Eugenie, who perished in a dormitory fire at Carbondale, Illinois at the age of 19. Their son Geo. Norman Jr. was killed in a plane crash at age 26.

She lived an active life, was a member of the Indiana Huguenot Society, was a member of the D.A.R., all local historical societies, was very interested in genealogy, and was co-author with Estella DeMotte Craig of the family history, "DeMotte And Allied Families". The research they did on the history was long and arduous, but a task well done.

Dr. Norman died in 1955. She stayed at their home place for several years, but moved to California, where she lived until her death.

MILDRED IONE DeMOTTE

The daughter of Eugene Paul and Charity Yates DeMotte was born in Snyder, Arkansas March 8, 1914, but was reared and attended schools in Pike Co., Indiana. She graduated from Jasper High School, attended Indiana University, taught for a few years in common schools, at White Oak, and at Huntingburg, Indiana.

She then took a Civil Service test and was employed at Louisville, Kentucky, but mostly at Dayton, Ohio. She was a supervisory officer in an accounting department of the U.S. Government until her retirement to her home in Otwell, Indiana a few years ago. She now is involved with history and research, belongs to the Pike Co., Dubois Co. and Indiana Historical Societies. Member of the Huguenot Society of Indiana, and other State-wide organizations.



LOUIS BERNARD DeMOTTE

The son of John H. and Edith Hancock DeMotte was born February 27, 1909 at Otwell, Indiana. Attended the Otwell Schools, graduated in 1928, and although qualified for a Rector Scholarship at De Pauw University, was unable to attend as the great depression necessitated going to work.

Went to California in 1929, worked at various occupations, mostly in plant work and construction. Was married in 1939 to Lenore M. True, had one son Larry born 1941. Enlisted in the Army in 1943, served in New Caledonia, discharged in December, 1945, was divorced in 1944.

Started in the building business, was licensed as a building contractor in 1949, was engaged in the construction of fine custom homes for many years.

Married Rose Nadlman in 1952.

Started to research for the history "Wm. Milton DeMotte, Union Cavalryman and Hoosier Doctor" His Life and Family" in the early 1960s. With the help of his Aunt Estella DeMotte Craig and others, had it published in 1968.

Is a member of Indiana Huguenot Society, Indiana Historical Society, Dubois Co., Pike Co. and other Historical Societies. A member of American History Illustrated Society, a member of Indiana Published Authors, is co-author with Mildred Ione DeMotte of the up-date of our family history.

Lives in California. Has most of the Archives of the DeMotte Family. Has an active interest in history.

De Motte, a Huguenot Family

By Estella De Motte Craig

Our De Motte ancestors were followers of John Calvin - the branch which in 1560 became known as Huguenots. The Huguenots were said to be the direct offspring of the Bible. Their forefathers, the Walloons, descendants of the ancient Belgae, a Germanic people of Celtic origin who had been conquered by the Romans, living in the upper valleys of the Alps between France and Italy. It is surmised that St. Paul, The Apostle, journeyed from Rome to Spain by way of these Alpine passes and had given them their first Christian instructions.

Here they lived unnoticed and unmolested, practicing their simple Christian faith, for twelve centuries. In 1170, Pierre Waldo, a rich merchant living in Lyons, adopted their faith and originated a religious sect that came to be known as the Waldenes or Walloons. The message of his doctrine attracted a very large following of the better class of people. He contended that the church of Rome was Anti-Christ in its teachings, and also caused excessive taxation of the poor. He taught and practiced the simple Faith of Jesus, which he made very convincing by distributing his wealth among the needy. Ten years later (1180) Pierre Waldo was executed by the Archbishop of Lyons. Thus began the religious persecutions in France that did not end until the Edict of Toleration granted October 18, 1787.

The Huguenots were not the poor uneducated. They were the princes, noblemen, learned scholars, members of the professions, skilled artisans, and others who could no longer tolerate the oppression and licentiousness of the ruling kings and priests.

These religious refugees and their offspring planted the germ of freedom, reform and prosperity throughout many nations. It is said, "They carried with them the intellectual seed that enriched the world". Our own country owes much to these religious refugees. Approximately forty-four-thousand French Huguenots emigrated to America. They stamped an indelible mark of distinction in American history and distinguished themselves in both legislating and fighting for American independence. Most of our noted generals and statesmen can trace their ancestry to these Conscious Exiles. Their descendants are legion.

Early records of the De Motte family are meager. After our branch of the family reached America most of the baptismal and marriage records can be found in the old records of the Dutch Reformed Church with the name spelled

variously - De Motte, De Mott, De Modt, De Moedt, De Moth, De Muth, Demut.

The name Motte is a place name of French origin. Motte means a hill or mound, in French. De means "of" or "from". La means "the". De la Motte means people from the hill or mound. The castle was always built on a hill or higher land. De la Motte was the name of the people in the castle.

The Castle Motte was located in Bretagne. As the family expanded they erected castles, named after the original family seat, in several parts of France and Belgium.

The Manoir de la Motte situated in Belgium still exists. A member of our family visited it in 1966.

I quote from Washburn Payne De Motte's description: "It is a 14th century fortified castle built at the edge of the village of Boussu-En-Fagne. It was originally owned by a Sieur de la Motte, whose Feudal overlord was the Prince Bishop of Liege. It is now used as an Inn with nine bedrooms, a banquet room, a rustic lounge, dining room, kitchen and a sitting room, all with separate fireplaces. The bedrooms are baronial in size, furnished with huge oak furniture and beautiful antique armoires."

A Sieur de la Motte accompanied William the Conqueror in the invasion of England in 1066. Undoubtedly, other De Mottes fled to England during the religious persecutions, as there are now many De Mottes in America of English descent. The name Jon de la Motte, appears on a Round Robin among the names of fifty-three heads of Huguenot families, presented in 1621 to the English government by Jesse de Forest, a Huguenot refugee living in Holland, asking permission to colonize in Virginia as a Huguenot colony. This request was refused. Two years later the Dutch West India Company made a settlement at the mouth of the Hudson River. In March, 1624, the little ship, "New Netherlands", sailed from Holland with thirty-two families, mostly Huguenots. Jon de la Motte may have been with them. However, this is only conjecture as there is no available list of this ship's passengers.

Two De Motte brothers, Michael and Matthias, forced to leave their home in France, came to America by the way of Holland. Their names appear in the records of Kingston as early as 1665. They are said to have first lived for a short time in New Amsterdam before buying land from the Indians in a French settlement in the Esopus. It is not known just where this French settlement was located. Esopus

was originally a general name of a large and indefinite tract of country owned by a tribe of Indians by that name. Later Matthias and Michael De Motte are mentioned as living at Wiltwyk - a Dutch settlement renamed by the English, Kingston.

The Pike County De Mottes descended from Michael. He married Anna, the daughter of Anthony Wesbrook. Records of the Old Dutch Reformed Church show that five of their children were born at Kingston. In 1704 he purchased a tract of land in Morris County, New Jersey, known as "Pompton Plains", where he built a stone house and blacksmith shop. The house was still standing a few years ago. Michael De Motte probably died about 1715 as his property came into possession of his son, Henry, at that time.

Richard, the third son of Michael De Motte, was born September 21, 1684. He married about 1709 Christian Haff, the daughter of Lawrence Haff. Their children were all born at Jamaica, Long Island. Richard moved to Somerset County, New Jersey, where he died July 14, 1753. His wife, Christina, born August 5, 1683; died June 25, 1777.

Lawrence, a son of Richard De Motte, was born October 25, 1719, and came to New Jersey with his parents. On April 25, 1749, he was married to Dorothy, the daughter of Rem and Dorothy Vander Beek. They moved to Mercer County, Kentucky, about 1790 or 1792, bringing most of their family with them. Their children were: Dorothy, Richard, Lawrence, Martha, Deborah, Abraham, Johannes, Sarah and Mary. Lawrence De Motte was a Revolutionary Soldier. He died in Mercer County. His will was made August 9, 1798 and probated May 1799.

Johannes, the son of Lawrence De Motte was born July 16, 1769, in Somerset County, New Jersey; married in Mercer County, Kentucky, October 31, 1793 to Anna, the daughter of Cornelius Cozine, a Revolutionary Soldier. Their children were all born in Mercer County, and were as follows:

Lawrence	- Married Phoebe Banta; settled in Pike County, Indiana
Cornelius-	Married Barbara Holt; settled in Parke County, Indiana
Daniel	- Married Mary Brewer; lived at Greecastle, Indiana
Mary	- Married Jacob Smock; settled in Southport, Indiana
Sara	- Married David Banta; settled in Taswell County, Illinois
John L.	- Married Phoebe Cary; settled in Christian County, Illinois.

Lawrence, the oldest son of Johannes De Motte, was my great-grandfather. He came to Indiana with the William Anderson family. The first account we have of him in Indiana is of him helping William Anderson hew a coffin out of a walnut log for the Revolutionary Soldier, Hugh Rodman, killed May 7, 1815, by a falling tree. In May, 1817, he entered land in what is now Marion Township, Pike County. This land remained in the family until 1952.

Our great-grandfather, Lawrence, was born September 3, 1794. He was married November 11, 1819 to Phoebe, the daughter of Jacob and Mary Banta. They were the parents of seven sons. The oldest son Jacob died in infancy.

John, my grandfather, married Susannah, the daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Hargrave De Bruler.

William married Eliza De Bruler, Grandmother's sister.
Daniel never married.

James married Melissa Anderson.

David married Sarah Green.

Albert married Elizabeth Anderson.

Lawrence De Motte's sons were all farmers. His grandchildren were farmers, school teachers and two physicians. His great-grandchildren are to be found in every profession. There are many doctors among his descendants, as well as many other persons who have been at very exalted positions in their field.

Lawrence De Motte died March 3, 1872. Phoebe Banta De Motte, his wife, died December 12, 1854. They are buried in the Craig Cemetery, located east of Otwell near the Pike and Dubois County line.

"That these Ensignes of Honour, as are commonly called Armes, which of later times have been chiefly used for distinctions of families, had their original from the practice of great commanders in War, is not unknown to the learned; for certain it is, that the faces of all great military officers, being obscured by such Hoods and Helmets as were anciently worn in times of Battle; it was expedient, that by some other means their persons should be notified to their friends and followers. Necessity, therefore, requiring it, they depicted upon their Shields (which were borne for the defense of their bodies) as also upon their Surcoats of Silke, Banners, Penons, etc., certain Badges, that might make them known at a distance from each other In bearing whereof (as appeareth by divers old Rolls of Armes) such order was observed that none might assume another's marks; but that there should be a plain and apparent difference in each man's Shield, Surcote, Banner, Penon, etc., to the end that upon any disorder the common soldier might know his leader, and the better repair to his succour in case of danger.

"But these later times having devised other sorts or armour and weapons both for offense and defense than of old were used; those marks and badges in Shields, Surcoats, etc., have been for divers past ages, as to any such military purpose, totally layed aside; and since meerly retained as Honourary Ensignes by the Nobility and Gentry, especially to difference themselves and their families from the vulgar and from one another. In all which the Kings of Arms in their respective provinces were to see due order observed."

Sir William Dugdale

Garter King of Arms, 1660

THE FAMILY

The Name DeMotte is a place name of French origin. The original Castle Motte was in Normandy; however the family later expanded and erected castles, named after the original family seat, in several parts of France.

The de Mottes migrated to England upon two occasions; there was a Sieur de la Motte with the Conqueror in the invasion of 1066; after the Massacre of St. Bartholomew's Eve in France, several of the de Mottes who had become French Huguenots escaped and fled to England which was the nearest Protestant Country.

Among the earliest De Mottes in Colonial America was Mathias, a Huguenot from England, who resided on Long Island, New York, and married Margaretje Dercksen Brinkerhoff.

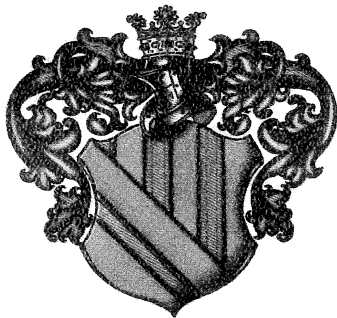
Another early De Mott was Michael, who came to Ulster County, New York, from Holland in 1665. He was of the de Motte family who had fled to Holland during the Huguenot Persecution in France.

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HERALDIC BLAZON OF THE COAT OF ARMS OF

THE DE MOTTE FAMILY

SHIELD:



PER BEND (divided diagonally) above
paly of six (consisting
of six vertical stripes)
argent (silver) and gules
(red) a bend (diagonal
stripe) argent (silver)

de La Motte

CREST: A corone

EXPLANATION OF THE COAT OF ARMS OF
THE DEMOTTE FAMILY

In heraldry, red is the color of war, danger, courage and love of combat and adventure while silver denotes purity, eloquence, virginity and innocence.

The bend or division per bend is called an honorable ordinary, which simply means one of the honorable charges most ordinarily used. It is the mark of noble blood and knighthood. It takes its shape from the shoulder sword belt or bandolier of the mounted warrior.

The pale or vertical band running down the shield, is also called an honorable ordinary and has the same connotation of noble blood and knighthood as the bend.

The ducal coronet should not be confused with the ducal crown. The crest, worn about the metal helmet, was usually made of light wood, leather or cloth. Its jointure with the helmet was usually by means of lacing with leather thongs. This unsightly connection was usually hidden by a twisted scarf of the two principal metals, and/or colors of the shield. However the knight would occasionally wear a light coronet upon his helmet to hide this lacing. This was called the ducal (duke, being derived from "duc" meaning "leader") coronet. The ducal crown was worn to denote rank, the coronet for utilitarian purposes. The coronet, was however, only worn by knights or noblemen of higher degree. The coronet was worn in battle, the crown never was. It is also sometimes called the "crest coronet".

The helmet is in profile and is of steel color as it should be. Only those who actually bear titles are entitled to display a helmet or other metal or in other position.

The mantling or decorative matter around the shield has no especial shape. This is left to the taste and discretion of the artist. The only heraldic rule as to the mantle (also sometimes called a lambrequin in British arms, was that it must be in the livery colors of the shield; i.e., the two first colors and/or metals mentioned in the blazon. In some German and Continental arms this rule sometimes varies but where there is a variation, it is always so set forth in the blazon with the specific colors of the mantling given.

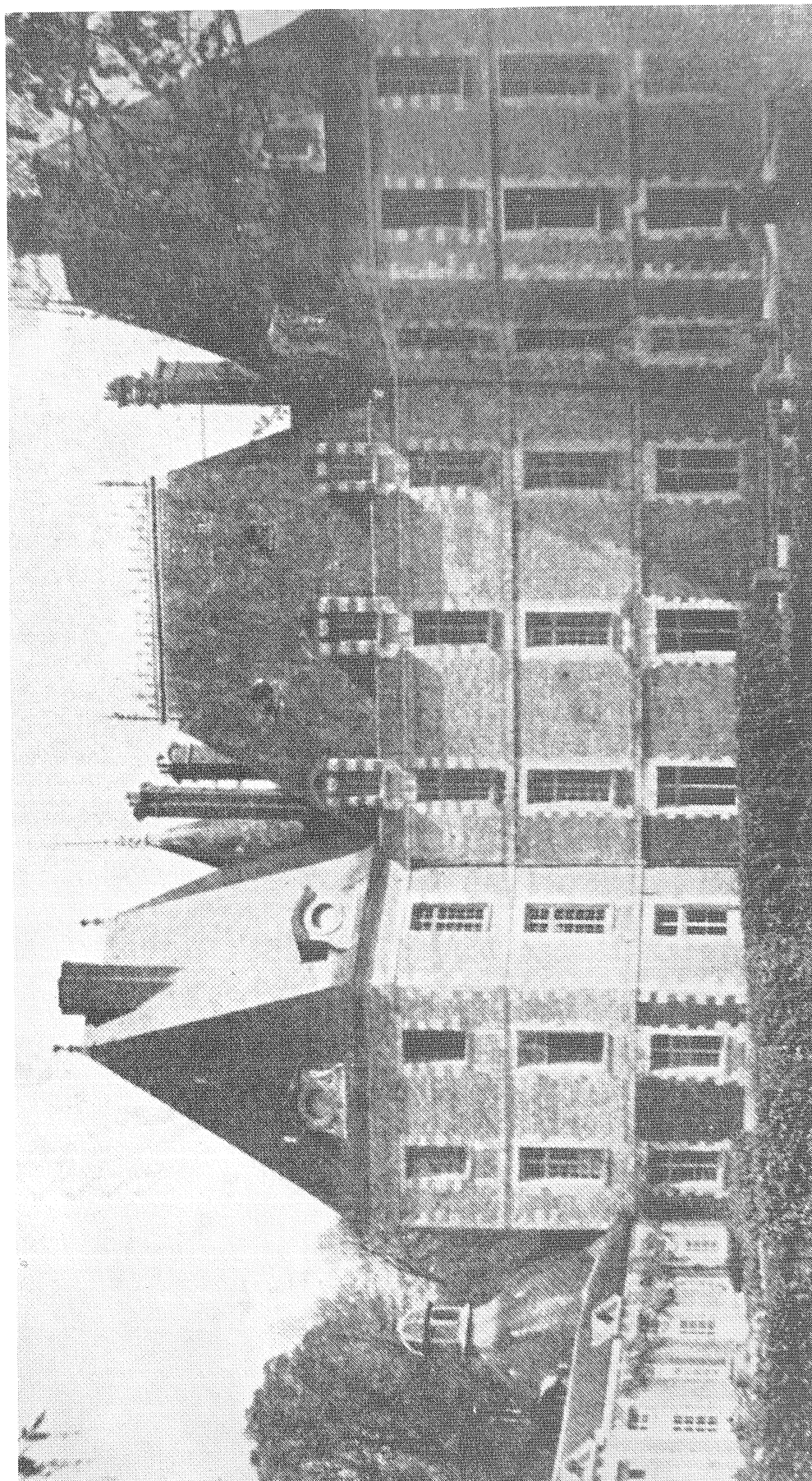
The mantle takes its name from a cloak or mantle which the mounted knight wore suspended from his helmet. This was to

protect him, encased as he was in metal, from the summer's hot sun rays or the winter's snows which would have fairly cooked or frozen him as the case might be. This mantle would become cut and slashed in combat and the knight was very proud of these rents. He usually had them patched in contrasting colors to make them more noticeable.

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Manoir de la Motte, Liege, Belgium

The Chateau de la Motte
at Boussu-en-Fagne

La Motte, at Boussu-en-Fagne, is mentioned for the first time in 1340 in a record of the justice of Couvin. The seignory is completely distinct from that of Boussu although situated in the same village. The squires of la Motte relieved from the Court of Surice dependance of Florennes and had their feudal court presided over by a bailiff, and their sherifffdom.

On several occasions, the seignory of la Motte returned to the possession of Boussu, but never remained there long. It is probably in 1427 that the seignory was separated for the first time from that of Boussu; it is found indeed in 1431, a Jean de Boussu squire of Imbrechies and of la Motte husband of Isabeau de Clary that was believed to be the father of Jean de Boussu squire of la Motte who the day of St. Remy 1482 established an obiit (Latin = he or she died) at Couvin. This Jean de Boussu squire of la Motte had married the noble lady Catherine de Ricamez dowager lady of Signy-le-Petit. He left her in his will the seignory of la Motte as fief and homage of the chateau of Florennes.

In 1606 the squire of la Motte is Hector de Libersart. His son Antoine on October 24, 1618 sold the land of la Motte to Jean de Marotte squire of Boussu. When this last one died he left to his daughter Anne the seignory of la Motte that she relived July 15, 1652. At the time of the sale it had been agreed that a rent of 80 florins would be paid annually to two aunts of Antoine de Libersart; this rent was never paid. The squire Simon de Robaulx who had become proprietor of the rent had la Motte seized November 29, 1660. At his death, Henri Charles, his nephew, made the relief of la Motte (Translator's note: Relief in Feudal Law was a fine or composition which the heir of a feudal tenant paid to the lord for the privilege of succeeding to the estate).

He had married Marguerite de Liverloo, descendant of a younger branch of the powerful Liege family. He died young probably as well as his wife and had no children, because his brother in law Walthere de Liverloo, cornet of cavalry, is entitled Seigneur of la Motte in Fagne. December 30, 1663 the latter is married in Louvain to Sara 't Kint de Roodenbeke; he died at least 30 years old, leaving a son, Walthere de Liverloo, also entitled seigneur of la Motte in Fagne, who became burgermaster of Liege and knight of the Holy Empire. Meanwhile, in 1689, la Motte had been sold for 9000 florins to Nicolas Felix. It is his grandson, Pierre Joseph Felix de la Motte, who relieved the seignory in 1734, who did over again completely the old feudal dwelling to make of it a pleasant residence. He had three sides pierced with high windows and built the

magnificent chimneys, the ceilings and the splendid spiral stairway that one can still admire today. It is at this epoch that the author of the "Delices du Pays de Liege" (Delights of the Country of Liege) saw it and described the charm of it.....

"It is in the middle of these surprising contrasts that the chateau de la Motte is situated. The vast expanse of united lands which surround it leave it a free view almost on all sides and one can enjoy the aspect of several pretty landscapes which extend as far as Mariembourg although that town is distant by a league. Independently of this advantage the chateau of la Motte merits the attention of the curious by its own beauties. It is a large and solid edifice built in the modern taste and of a widely extended architecture. Its entrance defended by two beautiful square towers introduces at first sight a great courtyard surrounded by a vast main building. The beautiful apartments by themselves and by the exactness of their distribution are still pleasant and better lighted by high windows from which one discovers those agreeable perspectives with which the surroundings are adorned. A moat of running water which makes the circuit of this main building crowns its beauty and makes one of its principal attractions. This chateau which takes its name from its masters belongs to Monsieur de la Motte native of the country".

The chateau possessed then at least one more corner tower than today. It collapsed in the last century. As for the moats they unfortunately had to be filled in for hygienic reasons.

Eugene, the son of Pierre Felix sold the land of la Motte and the chateau to the Count de Bryas. In the last century, la Motte became one of the properties of the Oultremont family. Following that, it was acquired by Mr. Henri Moreau, burgermaster of Boussu, who left it to his eldest daughter Irma, and she to her nephew the Commandant Matton. In 1955 it was bought by the Doctor Dropsy, of Couvin.

The chateau has once again been restored and, quite in keeping with its heritage, artistically modernized by its proprietor.

Jacques van Vyve

Notes:

1. Information on the Liverloo family kindly furnished by Mr. Pierre Hanquet.
2. Quotation from Delices du Pays de Liege from Volume IV, page 367.
3. The Chateau de la Motte is now a first class hotel-restaurant.

ANSWERS

1232R de Lamotte (V, 112, 143; VI, 161

The family Felix de la Motte, of Petigny and Boussu en Fagne had for arms:

"of with a tree of embanked with....coupled with two lions facing"

I. Nicolas Felix mayor of Petigny bought in 1689 from Wauthier de Liverloo the seignory of la Motte at Boussu in Fagne. He had married Marguerite the Young and had had six children at least:

1. Fiacre
2. Nicolas
3. Marie-Francoise
4. Simon, who follows
5. Marguerite-Dieudonnee-Catherine born at Petigny January 15, 1675 who married by contract of May 18, 1691 and sacramentally at Petigny the 19th of the same month Nicolas Darche de Tromcourt, iron-master at Mariembourg (son of Ambroise d'Arche, iron-master at Virelles, at the Wood of Chimay, at Seloignes, at Nimelette, then in 1690 at Mariembourg (Tromcourt) deceased at Virelles February 11, 1702, and of Catherine de Melen)
Nicholas Darche died at Frasnés-lez-Couvin November 20, 1728; Marguerite Felix died there January 27, 1738. They were buried in the church where one can still see near the desk of truth their tombstone carrying their arms * and the following inscription:
Here lies Mr. Nicolas Darche who after having buried in this same place eight of his children died November 20, 1728 and the lady Dieudonnee Marguerite Felix his wife dead January 27, 1738. R. I. P.

* Darche: ofwith wild boar of passing in front of an oak of embanked with....at the head of laden with three hammers ofarranged in fesse (Heraldry: a wide horizontal band across the middle of an escutcheon)

6. Elisabeth Therese born at Petigny April 24, 1678

II. Simon Felix Seigneur de la Motte and of St. Monegarde at Frasnés (relief before the court of Surice in 1701) Seigneur of Frasnés by purchase in 1712 died at Chimay July 17, 1712 and was buried in the church. Married at Virelles July 9, 1692 to Anne-Marie Darche daughter of Ambroise and sister of his brother in law. Anne-Marie Darche relieved in 1712 the seignory of la Motte and died at Pesche aged 76 years the 8th October, 1750. She was buried in the church under a stone carrying the arms of Felix and the following inscription:

"Here reposes the body of Damoiselle Anne Marie Darche, wife of the late Mr. Simon Felix in his time Seigneur de la Motte, deceased October 8, 1750, aged 76 years.
R.I.P. "

Simon Felix de la Motte and Anne Marie Darche had at least seven children:

1. Catherine, born in 1693 at Boussu en Fagne, married in 1723 Alexandre de Baillet, squire, son of Louis, registrar of the castle-ward of Couvin and of Isabelle-Agnes de Robaulx de Dourbes. They died at Pesche where they were buried in the church under a stone carrying their arms and the following inscription:

"Here repose the bodies of Alexandre de Baillet, registrar, Seigneur de Lisbonnes deceased July 10, 1764 aged 72 years and Damoiselle Catherine Felix de la Motte his wife deceased September 17, 1752 aged 60 years. R. I. P. "

2. Alexandrine born at Boussu. Married in 1734 to Jean Passau, Seigneur of Grammont.
3. Marguerite born at Boussu in 1696. Godfather: her grandfather Ambroise Darche. She died at an early age.
4. Francoise - died young.
5. Simon-Michel born at Boussu. Religious hieronymite (monk of the Spanish order of the Hieronymites) at Diversmont (Fumay).
6. Pierre, who follows
7. Dieudonne-Gaspard born at Boussu in 1710 and died probably without marrying.

III. Pierre Joseph Felix, Seigneur de la Motte and of Frasnès born in 1708. Married 1st to Marie-Louise Le Rond (died 1751) (tombstone in the church of Boussu); married 2nd to Christine du Brochet daughter of Francois Paul, Seigneur of Loges and of Marie Christine Le Rond. He made the relief of la Motte in 1734. He restored the chateau in the taste of the XVIII century. The "Delights of the Country of Liege" giving an idyllic description of it. Pierre Felix de la Motte had of his second wife at least four children of which among others;

1. Christine Reine married at Boussu to Francois-Hippolyte Despret.
2. Eugene who followed.

IV. Eugene Felix, Seigneur de la Motte, born in 1756, did not succeed in facing the debts that his father had contracted and sold la Motte to the Count of Bryas.
Descending from him:

V. Francois Auguste Pompee de Felix de la Motte married to Caroline Adele van der Cruysse of which:

1. Thelisia de Felix de la Motte born in 1822 at Mariembourg, married there in 1841 Adolph Bloch.
2. Eugene de Felix de la Motte born at Rance in 1830.

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DeMOTTE AND ALLIED FAMILIES

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Ancestors Who Came To America Before 1665

Tryntje Jonas.1630
Anneke Webber Jansen (Anneke Janse).1630
Everardus Bogardus . . . . .	.1633
Dr. Johannes De Le Montagne. . . . .	.1637
Rachel De Forest De La Montagne. . . . .	.1637
Jean De La Montagne. . . . .	.1637
Adam Brouwer. . . . .	.1642
Magdalene Verdon (Brouwer) . . . . .	.Before 1645
Joseph Waldron. . . . .	.1652
Annetie Daniels Waldron. . . . .	.1652
Michael DeMotte. . . . .	.Before 1665
Epke Jacobs - Banta Family . . . . .	.1659
David Demarest . . . . .	.1663
Vander Beek. . . . .	.Before 1643
Westbrouck . . . . .	.Before 1665

INTRODUCTION

The following genealogy compiled of this branch of the DeMotte family was inspired by our "Kith and Kin" by Sarah Marshall Buchannan. From this we have quoted that which pertains to the ancestors and descendants of Lawrence, the first child, and Daniel, the third child of John and Anna (Cozine) DeMotte. The lines of ancestry given - DeMotte, Demarest, Brouwer and Banta unite when Lawrence DeMotte married Phoebe Banta whose grandfather, David Banta, married Phoebe Brouwer and when David Banta's father, John Hendrick Banta, married Catherine Demarest, also when Daniel DeMotte married Mary Brewer (Brouwer).

Soon after Henry Hudson anchored the "Half Moon" in 1609 at the mouth of the great river that later took his name, other courageous folk followed. Many were from Holland, among them our Dutch and Huguenot ancestors. They settled in Long Island, spread up the river to what is now Albany and down to the fertile valleys of the Hacksack, Passaic and Raritan rivers. Most of them were well-to-do, substantial settlers. They were a sturdy folk with a sense of righteousness, justice and personal integrity, who brought with them ministers, teachers, doctors, nurses and fine traditions.

Our Huguenot ancestors who came to America with the Dutch soon lost their identity. Dutch was the language of the Church and social life. Only one colony in Northern New Jersey attempted to maintain its organization and language, but in 1696 this too was absorbed by the Dutch. M. Daille was their last Huguenot pastor.

"Descendants of Melchoir DeForest, Everardus Bogardus, Anneke Janse (Bogardus), Wolfert Webber, Dr. Johannes De La Montagne and Joseph Waldron married into the Brouwer family.

The earliest known ancestor (Bouwer line) was Melchoir DeForest, who married Catherine DeFosset of Mons, France, in 1533, just forty-one years after America was discovered. Away back in 1630, twenty-three years after Jamestown was settled and ten years after the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, Anneke Webber Jansen, her first husband and mother, Tryntje Jonas, came to America on the bark "Pear Tree." Anneke became the owner of a farm in the Wall Street district of present day New York - now the most valuable land in the world. For two centuries litigation concerning this property was in the courts.

Anneke Jansen and her family were closely followed to New Netherlands by others mentioned in this record. By 1665 thirteen ancestors of the DeMotte and Brouwer lines were living in this country. Today the family is scattered from coast to coast but for three generations it has been centered in Indiana.

The data contained in the following pages was found in histories, old newspapers, published public records, the Library of Congress and the D.A.R. Memorial Continental Hall Library, Washington, D.C. unless otherwise stated. Recent facts were obtained by correspondence. An

old family chart preserved by William H. DeMotte, now in the possession of his children, furnished the foundation for the research work concerning the DeMotte and Brouwer families.

The old French and Dutch names were spelled variously. Uneducated men often kept the church records and evidently spelled by sound. The name DeMotte appears as Demot, Demott, DeMotte, DeMoth, DeModt, DeMoedt and DeMut showing the Dutch influence. Except in quotations DeMotte, the French spelling is used. The Dutch Brouwer changes to Brower and then to the English Brewer.

We gratefully acknowledge the assistance of many members of our family, and especially that of the following: Myrtle Clark Brown, Elizabeth DeMotte Stewart, Estelle DeMotte Evans, Ruth DeMotte Hook and Kathryn P. Dubois.

Estella DeMotte Craig

Phoebe DeMotte Norman



Estella May DeMotte Craig
About 1909

MICHAEL DeMOTTE

Three DeMotte brothers, Huguenots, fleeing from religious persecution in France, crossed the Rhine into Holland where they lived a few years before emigrating to America. After staying a short time in New Amsterdam they moved up the Hudson River to the region known as "The Esopus," where a few Frenchmen had bought land of the Indians. As a French colony this settlement was short lived, but later the Dutch established the town of Wiltwyck, which was renamed Kingston by the English. It was in this settlement, according to the Somerset County, New Jersey, Historical Quarterly, that two of the DeMotte brothers, Michael and Matthias, made their home. Michael is first mentioned in the Kingston records in 1665. No mention of the third brother has been found.

Michael married Ante Wesbrouck, daughter of Anthony Wesbrouck of Albany. The name of Anthony Wesbrouck does not appear in the list of early inhabitants of Albany, but Cornelis Teunissen Van Wesbroek is given in the first volume of "Annals of Albany" by Joel Munsell, as a settler in Albany in 1631. As Teunis is the Dutch name for Anthony, the English translation of the above is, Cornelius Anthony of Wesbrouck. This may have been shortened to Anthony Wesbrouck. However that is conjecture.

The births of four of Michael and Ante Wesbrouck DeMotte's children are recorded in the Old Dutch Reformed Church of Kingston, N.Y. A son, Anthony, is mentioned in histories, but no birth record has been found. He may have been born before the births of the Kingston Church were recorded.

Evidently the DeMotte brothers found conditions unsatisfactory in the Esopus country, for in 1704 they moved to New Jersey, going first to Bergen (Jersey City). Matthias bought land and established a home there. Michael purchased a tract of land lying between the hills and Pequannack River in Morris County, N.J., known as Pompton Plains. The deed to this land is dated October 9, 1704. He built a stone house onto the south end of which he attached his blacksmith shop. There at Pompton Plains he lived the remainder of his life, "a blacksmith by trade and a farmer by occupation."

Michael and Ante DeMotte were members of the Reformed Dutch Church. They were the forebears of all the DeMottes mentioned in the following DeMotte record.

THE DeMOTTE FAMILY

Between the time Michael DeMotte and his wife are mentioned as citizens of Kingston, and 1704, when they moved to Bergen (Jersey City) New Jersey, their children Maria, Dirck, Johannes, Michael and Anthony lived on Long Island. No mention can be found of the parents ever making their home there. In "Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society," Vol. 7, is found a reference to the marriage of Maria DeMott, daughter of Michael and Ante Wesbrouck DeMotte, of Kingston, N.Y., to Hendrick Aten of Fosters Meadow, L.I. Anthony DeMott a witness is spoken of as Hendrick's brother-in-law. In the same volume is mentioned the marriage of Johannes DeMotte to Marie Aten, sister of Hendrick, sometime before 1707.

No mention of the marriage of Dirck DeMotte has been found but the records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Jamaica, L.I., contain the births of the nine children of Dirck and Christina (Styntie) DeMott.

In the history of this Church, is the following - "Anthony and Michael DeMott, Frenchmen, came from Esopus, to Fosters Meadow." In the same history these men are given in a list of persons agreeing to keep up their proportion of the fence around the cemetery at Fosters Meadow, in 1737.

Dirck had moved to New Jersey before this date. The Readington N.J. Church History, by H. P. Thompson, gives the following "Dirck DeMoth and Christina DeMoth, his wife, joined Church (then North Branch) in 1733." Dirck DeMoth is recorded as an Elder in 1736. The Somerset Co. Historical Quarterly, Vol. 5, speaks of him as settling in the neighborhood of Neshanic, N.J., and states that all the Somerset DeMotts descend from this Dirck.

The Neshanic N.J. Reformed Dutch Church was formed August 25, 1752. The Church was situated near the residence of Lawrence DeMotte (Dirck's son) who was appointed Deacon in 1759. In 1760 Stynie DeMott was a contributor. Dirck DeMott died in 1753, and his wife in 1777.

The home of the DeMottes changed with every generation. Dirck's son Lawrence married Dorothe VanderBeek in New Jersey, and lived there until after the Revolutionary War. Lawrence's daughter, Deborah, married Peter Van Nice (Van Nuys) and in the Van Nuys Genealogy, by Miss Carrie Allen, the following is given: "There are still living some of her grandchildren who have heard Deborah (DeMott) Van Nice tell how she, a girl in her early teens, with other members of the family, spent nights by turns, in their barn near Millstone, Somerset County, N.J. trying to prevent the depredation of the British troops who were stationed near their house." Lawrence DeMott fought in the Revolutionary War.

It is not known when Lawrence DeMotte and his family left New Jersey. They may have lived for a time in Conewago, Pa., as the name DeMotte appears among the names of the Colonists there.

The deed to their land in Mercer Co., Ky., is dated 1794.

In his Western home, Lawrence DeMotte continued his religious activities. He was a signer of a petition, dated November 2, 1795, to the Classis of the Reformed Dutch Church at New Brunswick, N.Y., for a preacher in Mercer County, Ky., at the Head of Salt River. This call for help was heeded, and when Peter LaBagh was sent to Kentucky to organize the Dutch settlers, and form a Church, Lawrence DeMotte was one of its members. He helped in the establishing of one of the first churches in Kentucky - "The Old Mud Meeting House."



The Lawrence DeMotte Home place,
Cove Spring, Mercer Co., Kentucky

I. MICHAEL DeMOTTE:

Settled in Esopus (Kingston, N.Y.) before 1665.
Married Ante Wesbrouck, daughter of Anthony Wesbrouck, Albany.

Children of Michael and Ante Wesbrouck DeMotte:

Marya, Bap. Dec. 22, 1678, Horley, N.Y.;- Johannes, Bap.
Oct. 8, 1682, Kingston, N.Y.;- Dirck, Bap. Sept. 21, 1684,
Kingston, N. Y.;- Michael, Bap. Jan. 1, 1687, Kingston, N.Y.

From Hoes Baptismal Register, Old Dutch Church, Kingston, N.Y.
Anthony, no record found. Mentioned in histories.

II. DIRCK (RICHARD) DeMOTTE:

Bap. September 21, 1684, Kingston, N. Y. Settled first in
Jamaica, Long Island. Moved to New Jersey. Elder in North
Branch, N. J., Reformed Dutch Church, 1736. Died, July 14,
1753, Somerset County, N. J. Married Christina (Styntie)
Christina DeMotte, died 1777, New Jersey.

Children of Dirck and Christina DeMotte:

Michael, Bap. June 6, 1710, Jamaica, L. I.;- Kniertie, Bap.
Oct. 7, 1712, Jamaica, L.I.;- Johannes, Bap. Apr. 1, 1716,
Jamaica, L.I.;- Lourens, Bap. Aug. 30, 1718, Jamaica, L.I.;-
Laurens, Bap. Oct. 25, 1719, Jamaica, L.I.;- Abraham, Bap.
Dec. 10, 1721, Jamaica, L.I.;- Ida, Bap. Nov. 28, 1715,
Jamaica, L.I.;- Jacob, Bap. Dec. 24, 1717, Jamaica, L.I.;-
Isaac - No record found.

From the Somerset County, N.J. Historical Quarterly and Records
of the Reformed Dutch Church, Jamaica, Long Island.

III. LAURENS (LAWRENCE) DeMOTTE:

Bap. Oct. 25, 1719, Jamaica, L.I. Moved to Somerset Co., N.J.
with his parents. Deacon of Neshanic, N.J. Church in 1758.
Moved to Mercer Co., Ky. Land deed dated 1794. Will probated
May 14, 1800, Mercer Co., Ky. Married April 25, 1749, Dorothe
Vanderbeek, New Jersey. Dorothe VanderBeek born Jan. 21, 1729,
Staten Island. Daughter of Rem. and Dorothe Coteleau Vander-
Beek. Fr. Ref. Dutch Church Record, Staten Island.

The Vanderbeek family were in this country in 1677. Originally
two brothers - Paulus and Remsen. Paulus married May 16, 1677,
Sarah Shonten; children - Kathrina, Hester, Paulus and Rem Jensen.

Rem VanderBeek born 1695, married Dorothy Coteleau; children -
Jacque, Cornelius, Deborah and Dorothy. Ref. D.A.R. Magazine -
Mrs. Daniel T. Campbell. First child of Lawrence and Dorothe
VanderBeek, Dorothy born April 22, 1750.

Children of Laurens and Dorothe VanderBeek DeMotte:

Dorothy, April 22, 1750;- Dirck, Bap. July 22, 1753. Remained in N. J.;- Lawrens, Bap. June 6, 1755. Moved to Mercer Co., Kentucky; - Martha, Bap. Aug. 6, 1757. Married Mr. Bice; - Pieter, Bap. Nov. 11, 1759. Moved to Cove Spring, Ky. Married Mary Terhune; - Deborah, Bap. Nov. 6, 1763. Married Peter Van Nuys; - Abraham, Bap. Apr. 19, 1766. Moved to Preble Co., Ohio;- Johannes, Bap. July 16, 1769. Moved to Mercer Co., Ky.;- Sarah, Mentioned in Father's will. Married Mr. Hall; - Mary, Mentioned in Father's will. Married Mr. David Banta, January 19, 1792.

From Neshanic Reformed Dutch Church Baptismal Records. Nelsons "Colonial History of New Jersey Marriage Records." New Jersey Archives, 1st Series, Vol. 22, Laurens DeMotte's Will, Mercer Co., Ky., Records.

LAWRENCE DeMOTTE'S WILL

In the name of God Amen, the ninth day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Eight, I, Lawrence DeMott, Senr. of Mercer County and State of Kentucky, being weak in body but of perfect and sound mind and memory, thanks to God for his mercies and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament. That is to say my wordly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and dispose of in the manner and form following - Impremise it to my will and I do order that in the first place all my just debts and funeral charges be paid and satisfied. Item it will and I do order that Martha Buice, my daughter, shall have One Hundred and Thirty acres of land lying and being in the County of Mercer and State of Kentucky on Harrods Run, it being the same I purchased of Daniel Bulger and David Shepherd and the same whereon she now lives to have the same to her during her life, that is if her daughter, Rachel DeMott shall live until she arrives at the age of Eighteen years that then the said Rachel shall enter, possess and enjoy the one half of the aforesaid land to be laid off on the end that I purchased of David Shepherd and that at the death of my said daughter, Martha, the whole of the said Land shall be sold and the money arising from the said sale shall be divided in the following, if the said Rachel or her Issue if any living at that time, shall be entitled to and receive the one half of the money arising from said sale, and the children of my daughter, Martha Buice, if any she has by her husband, Nicholas Buice, shall be entitled to and receive the other half, but in case of failure of Issue on the part of Nicholas Buice or the death of said Rachel without Issue the whole shall be divided amongst my children To wit: Lawrence Demott, Peter Demott, Abraham Demott, John Demott, Mary Banta and Deborah Van Nuys and their heirs or such of them as then be, but with their deduction, first there shall be paid unto my grandson, Lawrence Demot, son of my son, Derrick Demott, the sum of One Hundred pounds current money of Kentucky, but in case there should be failure of Issue only by one of the above

parties To wit, my daughter, Martha, or my granddaughter, Rachel, in that case the part which shall be left by such failure shall be paid and divided in the following manner, that is to say my grandson Lawrence Demott as above shall receive the sum of One Hundred pounds as above specified and the remainder shall be equally divided between two of my sons, Lawrence and John -- Item I will that my daughter Mary Banta shall have One Hundred and Seventy-five acres of land whereon she now lives in said county and state being the same I purchased of Mr. ----- Cull and Clyde and Alexander Buchannen, to have and to hold the same to her, her Heirs and assigns forever.

Item I will that Deborah Van Nuys, my daughter, shall have One Hundred and twenty-four acres of land whereon she now lives being part of a tract I purchased of Mr. Thomas Maddison and which was laid off for her some time past, to have and to hold the same unto her the said Deborah Van Nuyes her Heirs and assigns forever.

Item It is my will and I do order, that all the bonds, notes or accounts or dues of any kind whatever owing or payable to me from Derrick Demott, my son, Sarah Hall, my daughter, my sons Lawrence, Peter, Abraham and John and my daughters, Mary Banta and Deborah Van Nuys, immediately at my death be cancelled and discharged from the payment thereof.

Item It is my will that Sarah Hall, my daughter, and Derrick DeMott, my son, be paid them as a Legacy by Lawrence Demott and John Demott out of their share of the Estate, the sum of Three Dollars each when demanded they having had their shares before this will was made.

Item It is my will and I do hereby appoint my sons, Lawrence Demott, Peter Demott, Abraham Demott, and John Demott, Executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby order that no sale be made of my property whatever that I possess at my death but that each and all of the persons I have given the property in my lifetime shall be vested in each of the Different Leggatties and I do hereby revoke, disannual and disallow all other former wills and testaments and Executors by me in any ways willed and named before this time.

Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and seal the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
Thomas Freeman - Cornelias A. VanArsdalen -

Peter ^{his} X VanNest
mark

Lawrence Demott, Sen.
(Seal)

Mercer Sct. May County Court, 1799

The last will and testament of Lawrence DeMott, Senr. was proved by the cathe of Thomas Freeman and Cornelias A. VanArsdalen, two subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be Recorded, and the codicil thereon endorsed was proved by the cathe of Thomas Freeman one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be certified.

Teste - Tho. Allin C. C.

State of Kentucky

Set

County of Mercer

I; W. B. Morris, Clerk in and for the state and county aforesaid hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the will of Lawrence DeMott, Sr., as it is recorded in Will Book 2, Page 143-Mercer County Court Records.

Given under my hand and seal of office this June 30, 1945.

Signed:

W. B. Morris
Mercer County Court Clerk

IV. JOHANNES DEMOTTE:

Born, July 16, 1769, Somerst Co., N.J. Moved to Kentucky about 1791. Died, 1811. Married Oct. 31, 1793, Anna Cozine in Kentucky.

Children of Johannes and Anna Cozine DeMotte:

Lawrence, Born Sept. 3, 1794. Settled in Pike Co., Ind., Jan. 15, 1818. Married Phoebe Banta.
Cornelius, Married Barbary Holt. Settled in Parke Co., Ind. 1830.
Daniel, Born March 19, 1798. Married Oct. 31, 1816, Mary Brewer.
Mary, Married Jacob Smock. Settled in Southport, Ind., 1825.
Sarah, Married, Mr. David Banta.
John L., Married Phoebe Carey. Settled in Christian Co., Ill., 1831.

(From the old family record preserved by Dr. W. H. DeMotte.) Taken from "Kith & Kin" P. 24-26.

Lawrence DeMotte, son of Johannes and Anna Cozine DeMotte, born Sept. 3, 1794 in Mercer County, Kentucky. Moved to Pike County, Indiana. Died March 3, 1872. Married, 1819, Phoebe Banta, born April 7, 1799, in Mercer County, Kentucky, died December 12, 1854, in Indiana. She was the daughter of Jacob and Mary (Banta) Banta.

FIRST MMs OF WESLEY DEMOTTE

Lawrence (Laurens) DeMotte born 1719. Lived in New Jersey until about 1791, when he moved with most of his family to Kentucky where they acquired a large tract of land at Cove Spring, about half way between Danville and Harrodsburg, in Mercer County. This estate was owned in common until the early part of the year 1800, when it was divided, after which some of the sons sold their shares and located in other states. Grandfather sold his share that he had heired from his father, Johannes, and moved to Indiana. He decided to locate near a neighbor, William Anderson, who had previously moved to Indiana and lived about three miles south of what is now Otwell in Pike County. After entering a tract of land at \$1.25 per acre and selecting a home site, he returned to Kentucky for his bride. They traveled on horseback, the route being mainly through the forest, to their destination

about one mile northwest of the Anderson homestead. They then developed a farm of 250 acres. This is now owned by the widow of Sebastian DeMotte.

A site for the dwelling was selected and a cabin of round logs covered with clapboards was built. A fireplace was built with a stick chimney plastered with clay. Their furniture was rudely constructed with such material as the forest afforded. The principal tool used in the manufacture of their furniture was the chopping axe. They moved in on the dirt floor and were "at home" to their friends. However about three years later Grandfather, with the help of a neighbor, managed to whipsaw enough lumber from poplar logs to build a frame house, consisting of one room, 14 x 14 feet to which was added a brick fireplace and brick chimney. While their neighbors were few and far between it is said that Phoebe DeMott's house was the envy of the neighboring women, especially because it had two real glass windows. A few years later he built a brick house of which the doors, window wash and all inside trim were of black walnut from his own woodland. This house was abandoned because the walls accumulated dampness. He then moved into another building of frame construction which is now standing as part of the dwelling on the old farm. Grandfather was prosperous during the active period of his life. He was born September 3, 1794 and died March 22, 1872.

Grandmother Phoebe was born April 7, 1799, died December 12, 1854. Both are buried in the old Craig burying ground about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles southeast of Otwell, near the line separating Dubois and Pike Counties.

This farm remained in the DeMotte family until 1952.

(It is not known at what date Lawrence DeMotte first came to Indiana. According to tradition he had only been in Indiana a few days when he and William Anderson hewed a coffin out of a walnut log for Hugh Rodman, Sr., a Revolutionary Soldier, who was killed May 7, 1815 by a falling tree.)

Children of Lawrence and Phoebe (Banta) DeMotte;

- I. Jacob, born 1821. Died while on visit to Kentucky.
- II. John, born August 18, 1823, in Pike County, Indiana. Died February 5, 1898.
- III. William, born September 10, 1825, in Pike County, Indiana, died March 9, 1853.
- IV. Daniel, born February 8, 1828, in Pike County, Indiana, died December 16, 1862. Buried at Craig Graveyard in Pike County, Ind.
- V. James, born January 1, 1830 in Pike County, Indiana, died November 14, 1859.

VI. David, born February 2, 1832, Pike County, Indiana, died December 14, 1900.

VII. Albert, born March 28, 1834, Pike County, Indiana, died April 16, 1902.

SECOND MMs OF WESLEY DEMOTTE

John, my father was born August 18, 1823. Remained on the old homestead until he was 21 years of age. He had accumulated about \$75 in cash and a horse when he decided to marry. It is said that prior to the wedding he explained his financial condition to his prospective bride. He told her that if he bought a \$50 or \$60 tailor made broadcloth wedding suit he would not have enough left with which to acquire a certain 40-acre tract of land that he desired. This could be secured by cash entry from the Government at \$1.25 per acre. She advised him to take \$50 and get the land and with what remained he could purchase a nice homespun suit for his wedding outfit. He rode to the land office at Vincennes, Indiana and acquired his first real estate.

This tract, on which was to be built their future home, is located in Boone Township, Dubois County, about 2 miles east of Otwell, along the line separating Boone and Madison Townships.

There is a spring near the center of the tract near which a building site was selected and a hewed log building 14 x 14 was erected. The roof was made of clapboards riven from oak timber. A fireplace and chimney was built of brick from the wreckage of grandfather's brick house.

October 3, 1844, they were married and moved into the new cabin soon thereafter. Later two more rooms were added.

They occupied the old house until October 3, 1871, when they moved into a new 7-room house of frame construction located about one-fourth mile north of the old place. This building is still occupied as a residence and it is in good repair at the present time.

Father was very conservative in the management of his business affairs. He avoided debt, his rule being "pay as you go". By industry and economy the family of seven children were well provided with the common comforts of life, each given a fair common-school education. Five of the children taught in the public schools. Additional land was purchased until at the time of his death he owned a well improved farm of 160 acres.

He was absolutely honest and dependable, practicing the precepts of the Golden Rule; always ready to aid any worthy cause. He had deep religious convictions, as evidenced by his dealings with his fellow man and the instruction given his children.



Susannah DeBruler DeMotte and John Banta DeMotte about 1880

FAMILY RECORD

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF DEATH
Lawrence D'Motte,	Warner Co. Kentucky,	Sept 3, 1794	1819,	Mar. 22, 1874
Phoebe D'Motte,	" " "	Apr 7, 1799,	"	Dec. 12, 1854
Jacob D'Motte,				
John D'Motte,	Pike Co, Ind.	Aug 18, 1823	Oct 3, 1844	Feb 5, 1898
Wm D'Motte	" " "	Sept 10, 1825	1848, Mar. 9, 1852,	
Daniel D'Motte,	" " "	Feb 28, 1828,		Jan 16, 1862,
James D'Motte	" " "	Jan 1, 1830	May 12, 1857	Nov 14, 1859,
David D'Motte	" " "	Feb 13, 1832		1874
Albert D'Motte	" " "	Mar. 28, 1834,		Apr 1874

Maternal Record,

Chas. D'Bruler,		Apr 19, 1785		Dec. 22, 1865
Elizabeth D'Bruler		Nov. 2, 1795		July 25, 1845
William D'Bruler		Dec. 2, 1817,		Nov. 15, 1861,
Jabez D'Bruler	Pike Co, Ind.			July 22, 1858
Susanah D'Bruler	" " "	Feb. 16, 1827.		Mar. 30, 1894
Oliver D'Bruler	" " "	Apr. 13, 1828		
Chas, D'Bruler,	" " "	Feb. 19, 1833		July 2, 1858

FAMILY RECORD

NAME	PLACE OF BIRTH	DATE OF BIRTH	DATE OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF DEATH
John D. Motte	Pike Co. Ind.	Aug 18, 1823	Oct 3, 1844	Feb 5, 1898
Susannah D. Motte	" " "	Feb 16, 1827	" " "	Mar 30, 1894
W. M. D. Motte	Dubois Co. Ind.	Jan 5, 1846	Jan 15, 1873	Mar 19, 1931
Mary H. D. Motte	" " "	Mar 17, 1847	Oct 10, 1868	May 1, 1912
Olga A. D. Motte	" " "	June 22, 1849	Jan 7, 1869	Oct 2, 1912
Harriet L. D. Motte	" " "	Jan 15, 1857	Feb 22, 1872	June 19, 1941
Chas. A. D. Motte	" " "	Mar 10, 1857	July 20, 1881	Oct 8, 1915
Wesley C. D. Motte	" " "	Nov 25, 1862	Dec 14, 1888	Mar 14, 1916
Frank C. D. Motte	" " "	Mar 23, 1870	Sept 1, 1892	Mar 2, 1931

He died February 3, 1898. Mother died March 30, 1894. Both are buried in the Bethel Graveyard, located about two miles east of Otwell, Indiana.

Wesley DeMotte

- II. JOHN BANTA DEMOTTE, son of Lawrence and Phoebe (Banta) DeMotte, born August 18, 1823, Pike County, Indiana; died February 5, 1898, Boone Township, Dubois County, Ind. Married November 10, 1844, Susannah Tatum DeBruler, born February 16, 1827, Jefferson Township, Pike County, Indiana, died March 30, 1894, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Ray (Hargrave) DeBruler. He and his wife are buried in the Bethel Cemetery in Boone Township, Dubois County.

Children of John and Susannah (DeBruler) DeMotte:

1. William Milton, born January 5, 1846; died March 3, 1931.
2. Mary Helen, born March 17, 1847; died March 5, 1917.
3. Eliza A., born June 22, 1849; died October 12, 1912.
4. Hume Lawrence, born January 15, 1851; died June, 1941.
5. Charles Albert, born March 10, 1858; died October 8, 1915.
6. Wesley Elsworth, born November 25, 1862; died March 6, 1936.
7. Frank E., born March 23, 1870; died March 25, 1941.

1. William Milton DeMotte, M.D., born January 5, 1846, Boone Township, Dubois Co., Ind.; died March 3, 1931, Otwell, Indiana. Married January 15, 1873, Anna Louise Neihaus, born December 10, 1852, Huntingburg, Indiana; died May 3, 1923, Otwell, Indiana, daughter of Bernard and Elizabeth (Miller) Neihaus.

He enlisted January 1864 in the 10th Indiana Cavalry as a volunteer for service during the Civil War; was honorably discharged in May, 1865; attended Rockport Academy; taught two terms in the public schools; was graduated February 18, 1871 from the Cincinnati School of Medicine and Surgery; engaged in the practice of his profession at Jasper, Haysville and Otwell, having practiced continuously for 50 years.

He and his wife are buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Otwell, Indiana.

Children of William Milton and Anna Louise (Neihaus) DeMotte:

- a-1. Evaline born November 19, 1873.
- a-2. John Henry, born November 9, 1876, died November 1, 1952.
- a-3. Infant son born November 12, 1878; died December 15, 1878.
- a-4. Bernard L., born September 23, 1879.
- a-5. Lee, born September 6, 1881.
- a-6. Elizabeth Neihaus, born September 22, 1883.
- a-7. Infant son born February 27, 1886; died March 23, 1886.
- a-8. Estella May, born April 28, 1887.



Dr. Wm. Milton DeMotte
About 1872



Dr. Lee M., Dr. Wm. Holman, Dr. Wm. Milton DeMotte
1907



Eva Davidson, Sally Harris De Motte, Bess Stewart, Estella Craig, Martha Smith De Motte, and Edith Hancock De Motte. Sitting: Ben, Lee and John (about 1908).

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

- a-1. Evaline, born November 19, 1873, Dubois County, Indiana. Married (1) March 1, 1893, Alexander Haury, born January 15, 1861. Died November 27, 1895, Otwell, Indiana. Married (2) November 27, 1898, Ralph Boone Davidson, born December 12, 1867, Petersburg, Indiana, died February 26, 1936, Winslow, Indiana.

Child of Evaline (DeMotte) and Alexander Haury.

- b-1. Maud Amelia, born February 1, 1895, Otwell, Indiana. Died April 7, 1917, Griffin, Indiana. Married 1916, William Price, Griffin, Indiana.

Child of Maud (Haury) and William Price.

- c-1. Marion Hazel, born March 28, 1917, Griffin, Indiana. Married June 24, 1935 to Donald Ehrlich, born March 2, 1912.

Children of Marion Hazel and Donald Ehrlich:

- d-1. Virginia Lee, born July 3, 1936, Otwell, Indiana. Married Richard Sharpf May 27, 1954, divorced 1973.
(2) Married Boyce L. Turner 1973. Boyce L. Turner, Manager of Vernon's Old Sorch Sewing Factory.

Children of Virginia Lee and Richard Sharpf:

- e-1. Julie, born January 23, 1960.
e-2. Susan, born April 1, 1963.
e-3. Terri, born September 30, 1965.

- d-2. Donald Jerome, born November 25, 1937, Otwell, Indiana. Married Kristel K. Jackson, June 16, 1958. Donald Jerome Ehrlich, General Manager Monon Trailer Division of Evans Corporation.

Children of Kristel (Jackson) and Donald Jerome Ehrlich:

- e-1. Lorie Lee, born March 19, 1959.
e-2. Craig Allen, born March 12, 1962.
e-2. Lisa Ann, born March 12, 1962 (Twins)
e-3. Elaine Fay, born August 23, 1965.

- d-3. James Ralph, born January 15, 1941, Francesville, Indiana, married Judy Kay Mackey, October 13, 1962. James R. Ehrlich, Officer, Chicago Pipefitters Union. Divorced, 1973.

Children of Judy Kay and James R. Ehrlich:

- e-1. Janice, born June 23, 1963.
e-2. Sandra, born June 25, 1965.

Married (2) Conception Marie Gomez, Torreon, Mexico, May 31, 1975.

Child of James R. and Conception (Gonzalez) Ehrlich:

- e-1. Linda Rocio, born May 7, 1976.

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

- d-4. Charles Richard, born June 3, 1944, Francesville, Indiana. Married Bonnie Kay Saylor, April 27, 1966. Charles R. Ehrlich, Production Superintendent, Traylor Division Evans Corporation.

Children of Charles R. and Bonnie Kay (Saylor) Ehrlich:

- e-1. Charmin Raynay, born January 6, 1969.
e-2. Kimberly Dawn, born May 27, 1970.
- d-5. Rodney Price, born April 5, 1946, Francesville, Indiana. Married Cynthia Hauk, June 8, 1975. Rodney R. Ehrlich, Mechanical Engineer, Traylor Division, Evans Corporation.
- d-6. Derinda Dianne, born May 1, 1953, Francesville, Indiana. Married December 22, 1973, William L. French. Dorinda Dianne, attending Purdue University, Electronics Engineering.

Children of Evaline (DeMotte-Haury) and Ralph Davidson:

- b-1. William Ralph, born September 21, 1899, Otwell, Indiana. Served in World War I, died March 5, 1960, buried at Otwell, Ind. Married June 19, 1924, Gladys Young, born February 21, 1902, Washington, Ind.

Child of William and Gladys (Young) Davidson.

- c-1. Phyllis Ann, born January 23, 1937, Washington, Indiana. Married (1) Frank Evans, June 5, 1955 and (2) Gene Traylor, April 26, 1969.

Children of Phyllis (Davidson) and Frank Evans:

- d-1. Rhea Fay, born February 17, 1957. Married April 11, 1974 to Jeffrey L. Teague.

Child of Rhea Fay (Evans) and Jeffrey L. Teague.

- e-1. Kyndra Ann, born October 31, 1974.
- d-2. William Frank, born November 23, 1958.
- d-3. Leah Kay, born August 11, 1962.
- b-2. Jerome Boone, born October 5, 1901, Otwell, Indiana. Married November 11, 1924, Anita Meyer, born February 2, 1900, Huntingburg, Indiana. Both are dead and buried at Huntingburg. No children. Jerome died September 9, 1970
Anita died December 25, 1974.
- a-2. John Henry, born November 9, 1876, Hayesville, Indiana. Died November 1, 1952. Married 1906, Edith Hancock, born September 16, 1888, Pike County, Indiana. He is buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, Otwell, Indiana.

ANOTHER CHILD TAKEN

Otwell Star

(Contributed)

Another lamb was borne away to the bosom of the Good Shepherd to its eternal fold when Martha Edna, daughter of John and Edith DeMotte, passed from this earth life to the life of eternal bliss. She quietly departed last Thursday evening January 16, 1919, having only reached the age of 5 years, 6 months, and 23 days; leaving a father, mother, two sisters, and two brothers, Marjoria, Mary, Lewis, and William. Her death brings the heaviest cross that ever bore upon the parents' and home.

Every known thing in medical skill and nursing was applied but of no permanent avail. Her illness lasted but a short time but her suffering was intense. It is now we must say, "Father, Thy will be done." Martha was a bright, cheerful, little girl and was greatly loved by all her little friends; by older ones as well. She was a member of the Beginners Department of the Otwell M. E. Sunday School and enjoyed taking her place among the children of her class. Earth has been darkened not heaven brightened by the passing of this bright ray, and since we could not keep her here we rest assured that the Master, who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me," will provide a better place for her there.

THIS EMPTY CRIB

"Oh! what do you think the angels say?"
Said the children up in heaven;
"There's a dear little girl coming home to-day;
She's almost ready to fly away
From the earth we used to live in;
Let's go and open the gates of pearl
Open them wide for the new little girl,"
Said the children up in heaven.
"God wanted her here, where His little ones meet."
Said the children up in heaven;
"She shall play with us in the golden street;
She had grown too fair, she has grown too sweet
For the earth we used to live in;
She needed the sunshine, this dear little girl
That glides this side of the gates of pearl,"
Said the children up in heaven.

"So the King called down from the angels' dome."
Said the children up in heaven;
"My little darling, arise and come
To the place prepared in the Father's home,"

Short funeral services were held at the family residence, one mile north of Otwell, last Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, by Rev. R. O. Pearson and the music was furnished by the Otwell Quartet. Interment was made in the I. O. O. F. Cemetery. The family has the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

by Beulah B. Gray



Dr. & Mrs. Wm. M. DeMotte
1916



Marjorie DeMotte Dillon
Louis, William & Ellis DeMotte 1967

Dr. William M. DeMott

March 3 1931

Southwestern Indiana lost one of its oldest and most distinguished physicians at 11:50 o'clock Tuesday morning, the 3rd, inst., in the death of Dr. William M. DeMott whose passing also leaves but one veteran of the Civil War now living in Jefferson township. Dr. DeMott had been in declining health for the past several months suffering from general debility due to his advanced age. The funeral services were conducted at the residence in Otwell Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. W. C. Polsen of the local Methodist church was in charge of the services at the home while the Sons of Veterans and the American Legion officiated at the cemetery, burial being made at the I. O. O. F. cemetery in Otwell.

Dr. DeMott had a fine record as a soldier enlisting in the service of his country when a mere boy of 17 in the year 1862 and serving until the close of the war. In his service as a physician he left a record such as few members of the profession ever attain for his active practice embraced a period of 57 years. He conducted his practice on a high plane of ethics, his theory being that his calling in life was to relieve the sick and not to make money. Thus all men and all women looked alike to him when they were suffering and the fact that there was no fee in sight did not deter him from doing his utmost in his life-long fight against the diseases of his neighbors and friends. However, he always enjoyed a good practice and a lucrative one, in spite of the fact that he placed service above money.

When he moved to Otwell in 1892 he already enjoyed a place of distinction in the medical profession of the county and remained an outstanding figure as long as he lived. He was an ideal citizen who was held in the highest regard by all who enjoyed the privilege of his friendship. His patriotism, manifested in his service as a soldier, was emphasized by his service in civil life. He could always be depended upon to support any movement that would be for the general improvement of the community or that had a tendency to raise the standard of living among the people as a whole. He had little use for fads either in his profession or in the broader matters of state and nation. Clinging to the old ideals of morality and the higher standards of civic life, he was a man to whom any community would refer with pride as one of its citizens and whose passing will be long mourned.

Methodist

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A friend of the family submits the following excellent obituary:

Dr. William Milton DeMott was born near Bethel church in Dubois County, Ind., January 5, 1846 and died at Otwell, Ind., March 3, 1931 at the age of 85 years, 1 month, and 26 days. He was the oldest of seven children born to John and Susan DeBruler DeMott.

Dr. DeMott attended the public schools and the Ireland Academy before volunteering for service in the Union Army in 1863 at the age of 17. He was a member of company M, 10th Indiana cavalry, serving till the end of the war. After partially regaining his health which had been seriously impaired by the hardships of the service, Dr. DeMott attended Rockport Academy preparatory to teaching a few terms of school in both Pike and Dubois counties. He read medicine for a time with Dr. Moore of Otwell and Dr. Welborn of Jasper, and attended the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery from which he graduated 1871.

He practiced medicine at Haysville Indiana from 1871 till 1888 when he moved to Highbanks in Pike County where he continued his practice. While at Highbanks he served on the Pension Examining Board with Drs. Byers and Adams of Petersburg. In 1892 he moved to Otwell where his practice was continued till 1928 making 57 years of active practice.

Dr. DeMott had an inquiring habit of mind and read extensively and critically the literature of his profession as well as the general literature and news of the day. He possessed an independence of thought which lost none of its vigor till very late in life.

In the practice of his profession he was conscientious and painstaking and he did not discriminate between those who were able to remunerate him and those who could not.

Dr DeMott was a member of the Morgan Post of the G. A. R. of Petersburg.

January 15, 1873 Dr. DeMott was married to Anna Louies Niehaus who departed this life May 3, 1923. To this union were borne eight children all of whom are living except two who died in infancy. Those living are; Eva Davidson, of Winslow; Bessie Stewart of Aurora, Ind.; Estella Craig of Otwell; John DeMott of Otwell; Ben DeMott of Fullerton, Calif., and Lee DeMott, of Petersburg.

He is also survived by 15 grandchildren, two great grandchildren

and three brothers: Hume L. DeMott, Los Angeles, Calif.; Wesley E. DeMott, Washington, D. C.; and Frank E. DeMott of near Otwell.

With the exception to two errors, the rest are factually correct statements.

TAPS SOUND FOR SOLDIER, PHYSICIAN

Taps! and another soldier answers the last call! A brave soldier and one of the two remaining Civil War veterans of Jefferson township answered that last call just at noon Tuesday, March 3, 1931, when Dr. William M. DeMotte passed away at his home on West Washington street, after a long life of service, first for his country and then for his fellow-man.

Dr. DeMotte has been confined to his room all winter, following an attack of bronchial pneumonia which he suffered early in the year and which left him exhausted. No physical suffering nor any disease snuffed out his life, only an extreme weakness prostrated him and continued to increase daily until the end came. His passing though not unexpected, has brought grief to those who have known and admired him and the fine qualities which he possessed.

William Milton, son of John and Susan DeMotte, was born in Dubois county, January 5, 1846, and was one in the family of seven children, of whom three brothers are still living, Frank, near Otwell; Hume, of Los Angeles, California and Wesley, of Washington City. The family was one of the finest of the county's pioneer stock and was directly descended from the French Huguenot aristocracy. Unusual culture, extraordinary intellect and a high idealism have always characterized the members of this family, and in the doctor, these traits were emphasized, manifesting themselves early in life and acting as a guide to him through the years, marking him for the achievements which he has attained.

Before he arrived at a man's estate, the Civil War began. Immediately upon attaining the age of eighteen, he volunteered for service and was assigned to the Tenth Indiana Cavalry, remaining with it until the close of the war and engaging in some of the hardest fought battles of the war, among them the battle of Nashville, in which more than a fourth of his regiment was captured. The doctor was honorably discharged from service in May of 1865, and came home, but he had contracted malaria in a most virulent form and for months after his return he waged the hardest battle of his life with the insidious disease, which threatened his life. After his recovery from the fever, he engaged in farming. He followed that vocation for a time but as his strength returned, he began to feel the stirrings of the ambition to become a doctor and decided to prepare for the professional life. His only education to that time had been gained in the common schools of Dubois county, so he went to Rockport and there he finished an eclectic course in the Collegiate Institute. With his preparation he entered the Cincinnati School of Medicine and Surgery, from which he graduated February 18, 1871. He began the practice of medicine at Jasper, but soon moved to Haysville and later located at Otwell.

On January 15, 1873, he married Miss Anna Niehaus, of Huntingburg, who preceded him in death about eight years ago. Their marriage was a very happy one and they brought up to maturity a family of six children. One son, Bernard, died in childhood. Those living are: Mrs. Eva Davidson, of Winslow; Mrs. Estelle Craig, who has made her home with him since the death of the mother and has cared for him devotedly; Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart, of Aurora; John, of near Otwell; Dr. Lee of Petersburg, and Ben, of Fullerton, California. A number of grandchildren and several great-grandchildren are also living.

The doctor was the oldest physician in the county in point of years and had been practicing continuously in Dubois and Pike counties for the past fifty years. During this long period of service, he had come in contact with many of life's most vital experiences, some tragic, some pleasurable, some sad, some amusing. As often as he had assisted nature to bring a new soul into earth-life, he had witnessed the mystery of a soul departing into the unknown experience of an eternal life beyond the grave; he began his practice at a time when doctors were not only their own surgeons but also their own laboratory experts and he more than once was obliged to use his own ingenuity to find means of handling unexpected and critical conditions which the physician of today is able to rush to a hospital where every device known to modern science helps to save life. The doctor had an inquiring and a philosophical mind and he used his experience for the benefit of his profession. Nothing that could aid him in serving other patients was ever lost. He was a deep thinker and one of the best-read men in the county.

He had very decided opinions and was frankly outspoken. He was loyal in his friendships and for those he admired, he had a courtesy and an affability bequeathed to him from the courtly gentle folk of France from whom he descended. A republican in

politics, he kept himself well-informed on all matters of public interest and on current events until he could no longer see to read. His general reading was extensive and varied and he was particularly interested in history and the economic systems of all countries.

At one time he belonged to the G. A. R. Post but the order has long since been a thing of the past, due to the rapidly diminishing ranks of the "boys in blue." He was also affiliated with the Odd Fellows' order and, with his family, was a member of the Methodist church.

Throughout the years of his long life which rounded out 85 years 1 month and 28 days, he has been a useful member of society, giving his services willingly first to his country and then to society, in the upbringing of a fine family of sons and daughters, who are worthy to carry on the traditions of the family of which they are members. Nor has he failed to give the greatest service to his fellow-man, laboring at beds of pain, fighting disease, alleviating suffering, ministering at the solemn rites of birth and of death, and staying at his post of duty until increasing infirmities of age incapacitated him for further service.

With the doctor's passing, only one Civil War veteran is left in Jefferson township, William White, who is at the present time confined to his bed, seriously ill. Soon all the boys of '61 will have "Gone down the valley, passing one by one," and their names will be only a memory but they will have left behind them a priceless heritage which it shall be our duty to cherish and to preserve.

The doctor has come to the end of the journey, with a life well-spent, rich in all those things, that makes life worth-while. In death may he rest in peace.

The funeral services were held at the family residence on West Washington street, Thursday afternoon, March 4, and the interment was made in the local I. O. O. cemetery, on the family plot beside his beloved wife.

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ATTENDED DeMOTT FUNERAL

The funeral of the late Dr. Wm. M. DeMott, held at Otwell yesterday afternoon was one of the most largely attended in the recent history of this county. Among the doctors who were present were Dr. R. W. Harris, Algiers, Dr. D. W. Bell, Otwell, Dr. Jerome DeMott, of Odon, who is a cousin, Dr. O. H. Stewart, Aurora, and Dr. L. D. Johnson of Ireland. W. W. Jackson, of this city and George Bock, of Huntingburg, were the Civil War veterans in attendance. Among those from this city and other points were Judge J. L. Sumner, Alva Steen, Nicks Erwin, L. V. Colvin, John Colvin, and wife, L. L. Dearing and wife, Mrs. S. D. Hendron, Auditor T. J. Wiggs and wife, Robert Glezen Wayne Bryan and many others, whose names we did not secure. The list included a large number of both Sons of Veterans and World

Tuesday, April 18, 1967

Dr. L.M. De Mott, Dubois County Native, Drowns

A native of Dubois County, well known in the veterinarian profession, drowned while fishing in Wendell Craig's pond near Petersburg last Wednesday.

Dr. Lee M. De Mott was sitting in a chair fishing, and as a friend, Turner Rumble, was moving the boat he lost his balance and fell into the water. He was able to get out of the water enough to get a hold on the side of the boat. Mr. Rumble had him almost to the bank when he evidently collapsed and fell back into the water. This time the water was shallow enough so that Mr. Rumble was able to get him to land, but he had already passed away. The shock of the cold water had evidently been too much for him to endure.

Lee M. De Mott was born September 6, 1881 at Haysville, the youngest of three sons of Dr. Wm. Milton and Anna Niehaus De Mott.

Rich in tradition, the DeMott family were French Huguenots, and descended from French nobility. The ancestral castle of the 14th century is still in use.

His father was a Union cavalryman, serving in some of the fiercest battles of the Civil War. He graduated first in his class from the Cincinnati College of Medicine, and went on to practice medicine for over 55 years. His mother, the former Anna Niehaus, was a former teacher.

He and his family moved to High Banks in Pike County when Lee De Mott was seven years of age and he attended the grade school there. He also learned to hunt and fish there, and was an avid lover of outdoor life.

Four years later, in 1892, the family moved to Otwell where he grew up and attended schools in the township.

Lee De Mott's interest in animal care and husbandry increased, and he not only helped on the family's farms and helped care for the stock, he acquired stock of his own, including two of the most valuable stallions of the time. One Croghan, a famous sire, was purchased in Iowa, and bred some of the finest trotting horses in the area.

After a few years in farming and stock raising, he enrolled in the Indiana State Veterinary College in 1907.

On December 24, 1907, he married the former Martha Smith, to whom he was married for more than 57 years.

He graduated with the highest honors from the Veterinary College in 1910. In 1914 he was appointed by the Bureau of Animal Industry as collaboration veterinarian on control and eradication of hoof and mouth disease. He was also a pioneer in the control of hog cholera, and was appointed to the board of qualified veterinarians to help eradicate brucellosis.

He took a competitive U. S. government examination to test for tuberculosis in about 1928, and made the highest grade of any veterinarian taking the test.

He was a member of the American Veterinary Association and the Honor Society of their association.

Dr. De Mott made many lectures on various subjects and was well known throughout the state for his accomplishments. He was widely recognized for his efforts to help conserve wildlife and natural resources.

A skilled hunter, Dr. De Mott

kept well-trained English Setter hunting dogs and was an expert shot. His dogs won field trials and he often served as a Field-Trial judge.

He and his wife both fished extensively. He was a 50-year member of the F. & A. M. Lodge 121 of Petersburg.

Dr. De Mott was the oldest member of the De Mott family and was the possessor of the ancestral De Mott Watch, which is passed on to the oldest De Mott. The watch has now been passed on to his cousin, Eugene De Mott of Otwell.

He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. C. Ellis Craig of Otwell and Mrs. O. H. Stewart of Aurora. His brothers, Ben and John, preceded him in death, as did his sister, Eva.

He was interred in the Walnut Hills Cemetery on April 14, beside his wife who preceded him in death in 1964.

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of John and Edith (Hancock) DeMotte:

- b-1. Marjorie Mable, born June 6, 1907, Otwell, Indiana. Died April 30, 1976, buried in Otwell Cemetery, formerly the Odd Fellows Cemetery. Married (1) April 2, 1925, Arthur Briedenbaugh, born March 4, 1903, died December 12, 1927. Married (2) Tony Dillon May 9, 1931. He was born April 30, 1896, Pike County, Indiana. Served in World War I.

Child of Marjorie (DeMotte) and Arthur Briedenbaugh.

- c-1. Virginia, born August 10, 1926, Otwell, Indiana. Married March 5, 1948, Randall Traylor, born December 12, 1921, Pike County, Indiana. Served in World War II.

Children of Virginia (Briedenbaugh) and Randall Traylor:

- d-1. Ross Allen, born August 15, 1948, Otwell, Indiana.
- d-2. Rita Star, born February 9, 1951, Otwell, Indiana. Married October 17, 1970, Roger Humphrey.
- e-1. Cecil Randall, born June 1, 1971.
- d-3. Betty Louise, born September 19, 1952, Illinois.
- d-4. Sherry, born March 15, 1955.
- d-5. Cheryl, born March 15, 1955.

Children of Marjorie (DeMotte-Briedenbaugh) and Tony Dillon:

- c-1. Horace Leroy, born March 20, 1933, Otwell, Indiana. Married June 14, 1952, Joyce Ashby, born March 29, 1933.

Children of Horace and Joyce Dillon:

- d-1. Gregory Kent, born February 13, 1956.
- d-2. Patrick Brent, born September 30, 1958.
- c-2. Ralph Kester, born June 22, 1934, Otwell, Indiana. Married August 6, 1967, Judith Dian Ulrey, born August 6, 1946.

Children of Ralph Kester and Judith Dillon:

- d-1. Ralph Kester, Jr., born April 24, 1968.
- d-2. Anita Dian, born May 26, 1971.
- c-3. James Milton, born August 4, 1935, Otwell, Indiana. Married Shirley Joan Ross, March 31, 1961, born May 22, 1938. Divorced.
- c-4. Roger Byron, born June 19, 1938, Otwell, Indiana. Married October 19, 1968, Judith Gail Cutshall, born Sept. 29, 1940.

Children of Roger and Judith Dillon:

- d-1. Lorie Gail, born June 9, 1972.
- d-2. Penny Lynn, born November 29, 1974.
- c-5. Lowell Wayne, born March 11, 1942, Otwell, Indiana. Married November 21, 1963, Sharon Matteson, born November 21, 1944.



Ralph and Eva Davidson, son Jerome, unidentified girl
and Bernard Craig about 1913



Estella DeMotte Craig, Dr. Lee M. DeMotte,
Elizabeth DeMotte Stewart - 1962



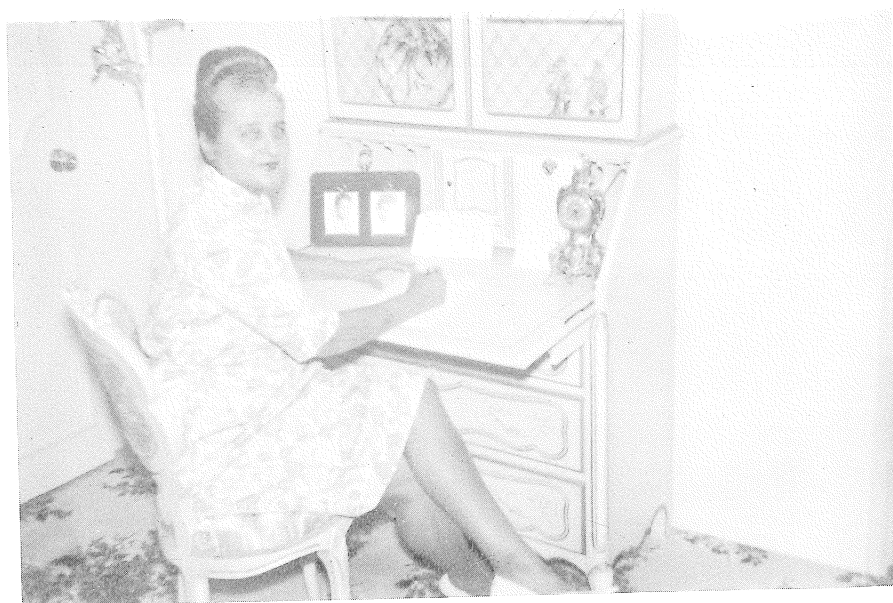
Estella DeMotte Craig
Elizabeth DeMotte Stewart
At home place in Otwell, Ind.



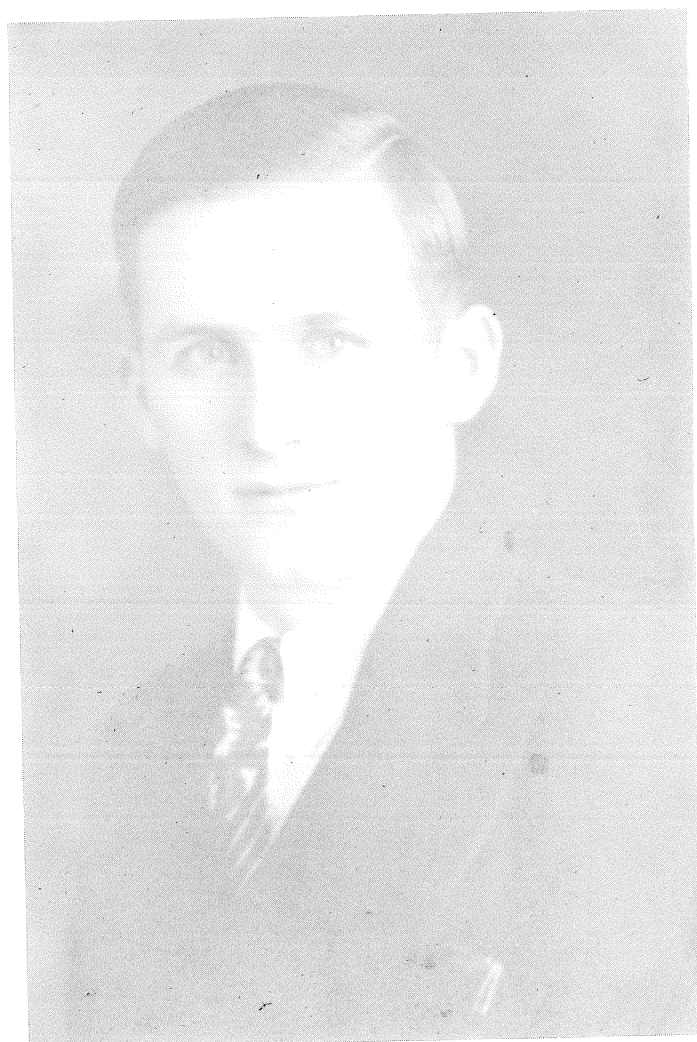
Maude Haury
1914



Estella De Motte Craig
and Eva De Motte Davidson



Rose DeMotte
At her desk-1965



Louis B. DeMotte
Highland Park - 1929



Vivian Dillon
4H Club Queen
Pike Co. 1967



William & Edith DeMotte, Jerome Vollborn,
Nancy DeMotte, Billy DeMotte, John Vollborn



Wm. Hancock DeMotte
1967

Otwell Man Rose In Corporation's Ranks



William Hancock DeMott, for whom funeral services were held last Monday at Otwell, was a man whose formal education ended with graduation from Otwell High School but who rose to one of the top executive positions in one of the world's largest industries, the U.S. Steel Corporation.

Mr. DeMott died on Thursday of last week of a heart attack at his home in Sewickley, Pa., at the age of 54. About five years ago he was called from California to the home office of U.S. Steel and given the position of senior project engineer. In this capacity he was in charge of many large projects and traveled extensively. Despite his

responsible position and busy life he found opportunities to re-visit his home town at intervals.

Mr. DeMott was born on the family farm a mile north of Otwell on April 4, 1916, the son of John and Edith Hancock DeMott.

As a boy he showed a great interest in things mechanical and was always a standout student. When only 17 he was the sawyer at a sawmill. After being graduated from Otwell High School in 1934 he worked to help augment the family income until 1936 when he joined a brother, Louis, in Los Angeles. He worked at various jobs until 1940 when he started to work for one of the large aircraft companies. At the time he left the firm to begin Army service he was in charge of electrical components and their installation. He served for about 14 months as a demolition specialist in the Army and later worked for several firms as an engineer before joining U.S. Steel in 1950.

Surviving are the wife, the former Adelaid Chavez, to whom he was married on March 7, 1941; a son, John William; one daughter, Nancy; his mother, Edith DeMott of Petersburg; three brothers, Louis and Walter of California and Ellis of Indianapolis; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Vollbonn and Mrs. Marjorie Dillon, both of Otwell; and two grandchildren.

The body was brought last Sunday to the Harris Funeral Home in Petersburg. The funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Methodist Church in Otwell followed by burial in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.



Lt. John Wm. DeMotte
Vietnam Artillery Officer



William Hancock DeMotte
DeMotte, Indiana



Billy, William, Larry, Nancy
& Edith H. DeMotte -1958



Richard Wm. DeMotte
1909-1928



Lou Anna De Motte French

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of Lowell and Sharon Dillon;

- d-1. Kelly Joanna, born June 22, 1966.
- d-2. Heather Dawn, born December 22, 1967.
- d-3. Tara Janel, born August 23, 1971.

- c-6. Norman Edmond, born September 11, 1943, Otwell, Indiana. Married November 12, 1962, Phyllis Ann Swain, born February 2, 1946.

Child of Norman and Phyllis Ann Dillon.

- d-1. Norman Lee, born May 24, 1963.
- c-7. Vivian Anita, born January 16, 1950, Otwell, Indiana. Married July 5, 1969, Stanley Reed, born September 2, 1950. Vivian was the Queen of the Pike County 4H Club Fair in 1967. Was in the Indiana State finals also.

Children of Stanley and Vivian Reed;

- d-1. Stephanie Denise, born April 3, 1970.
- d-2. Scott Derek, born November 21, 1974.
- b-2. Louis Bernard, born February 27, 1909, Otwell, Indiana. Married (1) Lenore M. True, June 15, 1939, born December 17, 1915, divorced 1944. Married (2) Rose Nadlman, October 15, 1952. Served in World War II, author of the Family History: "Wm. Milton DeMotte, Union Cavalryman, and Hoosier Doctor His Life and Family" - Published in 1968.

Children of Louis and Lenore DeMotte;

- c-1. Ronald Louis, born March 27, 1940, stillborn.
- c-2. Lawrence Phillip, born November 4, 1941, Santa Monica, California. Graduated University of Connecticut, 1962, Master's Degree, in 1964 in Literature. Librarian.
- b-3. Mary Louise, born January 25, 1911, Otwell, Indiana. Married December 1, 1932, Luther Vance Vollborn.

Children of Mary (DeMotte) Vollborn and Luther Vollborn;

- c-1. John Vance, born February 7, 1944, Culver City, California.
- c-2. Jerome Hale, born April 2, 1946, Culver City, California.
- b-4. Edna Martha, born July 17, 1913, Otwell, Indiana. Died January 16, 1919 in the World War I Influenza epidemic, at Otwell. She is buried in the Otwell Cemetery.
- b-5. William Hancock, born April 4, 1916, Otwell, Indiana. Died September 24, 1970. Married March 7, 1941, Adelaide Chavez, born July 8, 1920, Valencia, New Mexico. Served in World War II. Was Senior Project Engineer, U.S. Steel Corporation.



Joseph, Cynthia, Walter A., Rita, Mary, Annette, Richard M., Robert



Lloyd, Anna Mae, Richard, Susan, Charles, Ellis J.,
Leon, and Gene DeMotte

Indianapolis, 1975

John (Banta) continued

Children of William and Adelaide (Chavez) DeMotte:

- c-1. John William, born September 28, 1944, Los Angeles, Calif. Artillery Officer, Vietnam War, 1st. Lt. In combat several months.
- c-2. Nancy Ann, born December 30, 1946, Los Angeles, California. Married January, 1964, Ronald J. Hernandez.

Children of Nancy Ann and Ronald J. Hernandez:

- d-1. Ronald Scott, born November 2, 1965.
- d-2. Nancy Ann, born October 6, 1965.
- b-6. Walter Arthur, born March 4, 1921, Otwell, Indiana. Married April 15, 1944, Rita Mack, born February 17, 1923, Mapleton, Iowa. Served in World War II.

Children of Walter and Rita Mack DeMotte:

- c-1. Richard Mack, born March 28, 1947, Los Angeles, California.
- c-2. Robert Allen, born May 26, 1948, Omaha, Nebraska. Married Patricia Ann McGraw, born September 5, 1948.

Child of Robert Allen and Patricia Ann (McGraw) DeMotte.

- d-1. Robert Walter, born July 19, 1972.
- c-3. Mary Bernadette, born April 6, 1953, Los Angeles, Calif. Married September 11, 1976, Gerald Clark Taylor, born August 3, 1943.
- c-4. Joseph Walter, born October 15, 1954, Los Angeles, Calif.
- c-5. Annette Marie, born August 13, 1957.
- c-6. Cynthia Ann, born November 22, 1959.
- b-7. Ellis Jerome, born October 19, 1924, Otwell, Indiana. Married October 4, 1947, Anna Mae Brosmer, born August 15, 1926, Jasper, Indiana. Was a Combat Infantryman in World War II, E.T.O.

Children of Ellis and Anna Brosmer DeMotte:

- c-1. Lloyd William, born June 30, 1948, Otwell, Indiana. Married July 10, 1970, Sheila Marie Bourgord, born May 20, 1952.
- d-1. Kenneth Wayne, born April 21, 1972.
- c-2. Eugene Allen, born November 23, 1951, Otwell, Indiana. Married Janice Marie Schell, July 14, 1972, born Aug. 9, 1953.

Children of Eugene Allen and Janice Marie (Schell) DeMotte:

- d-1. Jeffrey Scott, born April 23, 1974.
- d-2. Michael Eugene, born May 3, 1976.
- c-3. Charles Louis, born December 19, 1953. Married Debra June Hibbs, born April 4, 1956.
- d-1. Stacy Lee, born August 14, 1956.
- c-4. Richard John, born April 7, 1955.
- c-5. Susan Elaine, born October 18, 1956.
- c-6. Leon Ellis, born January 17, 1959.

Oceanside Pair Mark Golden Anniversary In Brea With Son

Mr. and Mrs. Ben De Mott, Sr., 625 North Clementine Street, are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary today at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben De Mott, Jr., and their grandchildren, Marilyn, Luana, David and Dixie De Mott, in Brea, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. De Mott, Sr., were married in the parsonage of a Methodist Church in Evansville, Ind. He was a Ford dealer in Huntingburg, Ind., and moved to Oceanside in 1929. He worked in the soil conservation program of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, with San Diego as the home office. In 1937 he organized the farm bureau for San Luis Rey and San Dieguito.

Marriage Tip

"If a couple wants to make a go of marriage," said Mrs. De Mott, Sr., "they should consider it a permanent affair." She said that being interested in the same

things keeps family members interested in each other.

Since his retirement and illness, De Mott, Sr., enjoys staying home, watching TV and reading books. Both he and his wife are interested in world affairs and especially sports. He was active in the Masons in Indiana and a charter member of the Kiwanis club. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Order of the Eastern Star and a Red Cross worker.

Relatives In Carlsbad

A daughter-in-law and grandson, Mrs. Leona De Mott and James A. De Mott, are residents of Carlsbad. James is currently attending San Diego State College. Other children of the couple are Mrs. Kermit French of East Chicago, Ind., and Mrs. Robert O'Leary of Lantry, S. D. Mr. and Mrs. O'Leary, who are cattle ranchers, have two children, Robert A. and Jacqueline.

March 8th 1956



MR. AND MRS. BEN DE MOTT, SR.
(Blade-Tribune Photo)



Ben DeMotte
About 1906



Ben and Sallie
and Ben Jr. DeMotte
1942

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

- a-3. Infant son, born November 12, 1878, died December 15, 1878, Hayesville, Indiana.
- a-4. Bernard L. (Ben), born September 23, 1879, Hayesville, Indiana. Died January 18, 1964. Married March 6, 1906, Sarah E. (Sallie) Harris, born April 7, 1885, Algiers, Indiana. Died September 4, 1973, Gettysburg, South Dakota.

Children of Bernard and Sallie (Harris) DeMotte:

- b-1. Lou Anna Lorraine, born June 8, 1907 in Rifle, Colorado. Married June 12, 1931 in East Chicago, Indiana to Kermit R. French, born November 29, 1902, Reed City, Michigan. Both were teachers and educators in Northern Indiana. Lou Anna was later Field Director of the Northern Indiana Red Cross.
- b-2. Richard William, born July 4, 1909, Huntingburg, Indiana. Drowned in White River, at the Himsel Ferry, between Dubois and Daviess Counties, August 17, 1928, buried Huntingburg Cemetery, Huntingburg, Indiana.
- b-3. James Virgil, born June 24, 1911, Huntingburg, Indiana. Died October 29, 1955, Oceanside, California, buried Eternal Hills Cemetery, Oceanside, California. Married July 31, 1933 to Lenora Williams, born July 31, 1911.

Child of James and Lenora (Williams) DeMotte.

- c-1. James Allen, born October 21, 1934, Oceanside, California.
- b-4. Ben Jr., born June 19, 1920, Huntingburg, Indiana. Married (1) March 20, 1943, Dorothy DeLores Stanger at Oceanside, California, born January 27, 1923, Ogden, Utah. Died March 9, 1974 in Upland, California. Married (2) LaVon Bunch, September 20, 1975.

Children of Ben and Dorothy (Stanger) DeMotte:

- c-1. Marilyn, born August 26, 1946. Married July 8, 1966, Charles Ray Tenney, born December 5, 1940.

Children of Marilyn and Charles Ray Tenney:

- d-1. Matthew David, born February 8, 1968.
- d-2. Katheryn Julia, born March 17, 1970.
- d-3. Ben Richard, born November 27, 1971.
- d-4. Karen Luann, born June 27, 1973.
- d-5. Samuel Rey, born July 31, 1975.
- c-2. Luanna Kay, born March 31, 1949. Married Jeffrey James Aagard, November 19, 1971, born July 16, 1944.

Children of Luanna Kay and Jeffrey James Aagard:

- d-1. Julie Delores, born March 8, 1974.
- d-2. Gregory James, born November 5, 1975.

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

- c-3. David Glenn, born January 16, 1951. Married Linda Done August 23, 1975, born October, 1954.

Child of David and Linda DeMotte.

- d-1. Kimberly Ann, born May 18, 1976.

- c-4. Dixie Jolene, born April 13, 1954, Brea, California.

- c-5. Shellie Sue, born May 23, 1957, Brea, California.

- b-5. Martha Jane, born October 21, 1922, Huntingburg, Indiana. Married (1) August 26, 1940, Carl Schlegel, divorced 1942. Married (2) October 2, 1943, Ralph Sulis, killed on Iwo Jima, February 24, 1945. Married (3) May 20, 1950, Robert J. O'Leary, Yuma, Arizona. Killed in auto accident October 29, 1964, Gettysburg, South Dakota.

Child of Martha (DeMotte) and Carl Schlegel.

- c-1. Robert Allen, born September 26, 1941, Oceanside, California. Married September 15, 1966, Senetra Suraculla at Bangkok, Thailand.

Child of Robert Schlegel and Senetra S. Schlegel.

- d-1. Mary Lynn, born May 20, 1967 in Bangkok, Thailand.
d-2. Silvetka, born July 20, 1961 in Bangkok, Thailand. (Adopted daughter).

Child of Martha Jane and Robert J. O'Leary.

- c-1. Jaqueline Jean, born July 31, 1952 in Dupree, South Dakota. Married June 3, 1972, Gary Biddle.

- a-5. Lee M. DeMotte, D.V.M., born September 6, 1881, Haysville, Indiana, died April 12, 1967, Petersburg, Indiana. Married December 24, 1907, Martha Smith, born March 23, 1883, Otwell, Indiana. Died August 1964, Petersburg, Indiana. Both are buried at Walnut Hills Cemetery, Petersburg, Indiana.

- a-6. Elizabeth Niehaus, born October 22, 1883, Haysville, Indiana. Died August 25, 1969. Married April 11, 1909, Omer Hall Stewart, M.D., born May 6, 1881, Ireland, Indiana. Dr. Stewart in the Medical Corps in World War I, attained the rank of Major. Died March 24, 1955 at Aurora, Indiana. They are buried at the Cemetery near Aurora, Indiana.

Children of Elizabeth N. and Omer H. Stewart:

- b-1. Omer Samuel, born July 7, 1910, Ireland, Indiana. Died September 3, 1912, Ireland, Indiana.
b-2. Anna Elizabeth, born June 5, 1913, Ireland, Indiana. Died May 26, 1926, Aurora, Indiana.
b-3. Virginia Pherebe, born March 15, 1916, Aurora, Indiana. Married June 30, 1939 Odell L. Jacobsen, born July 4, 1913. Died August 14, 1972.



Dr. Omer H. & Elizabeth DeMotte Stewart
1909



Clement Ellis Craig
About 1909



John, Diana, Julia, Victoria and Arthur Althoff (1957)



Mary DeMotte Nash
About 1900

DeMotte-Craig Nupti

A quiet wedding took place in west end of Otwell Monday even. Only the immediate families present at the ceremony.

The contracting parties were Estella DeMotte and Mr. Ellis C.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. DeMotte of Otwell. She is a charming and accomplished young lady, quite proficient in music and a leader in society.

The groom is a son of Mr. R. Craig, a progressive merchant farmer of that place. He is a graduate of Purdue University, and has a lucrative government position.

The bride was most charmingly tired in a costume of white silk, the groom wore the conventional black.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Morgan, pastor of the Methodist church. After the ceremony the reception followed. It was a grand affair. More than one hundred guests were present and greeted the newly married couple and partook of a bountiful supper which was elegantly served in courses.

All enjoyed a good time during the evening, and departed for their respective homes wishing Mr. and Mrs. Craig a long, happy and prosperous life together.

The out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Libbs and Mr. and Mrs. Davidson and family, of Petersburg. Messrs. Charles Glezen, George Newman and Dr. O. H. Stewart, of Ireland.

A GUEST

DeMotte-Stewart Wedding.

Miss Bessie, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. M. DeMott was married Sunday evening to Dr. O. H. Stewart, of Ireland, Rev. W. G. Morgan officiating. The wedding was a very quiet affair only the relatives and intimate friends being present. The groom is a rising young physician while the bride has been a successful school teacher for several years. Their many friends extend well wishes for a happy voyage on the sea of Matrimony.

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of Virginia (Stewart) and Odell Jacobsen:

- c-1. Jerald Stewart, D.V.M., born January 7, 1941, Tacoma, Washington. Married Katheryn E. Darby, June 25, 1966, West Alexandra, Ohio.

Children of Katheryn (Darby) and Jerald Stewart:

- d-1. Jerald Stewart II, born February 12, 1971, Batesville, Ind.
- d-2. Eric Edward, born July 8, 1972, Batesville, Indiana.

c-2. Omer Stephen, born September 25, 1943, Tacoma, Washington.

c-3. Virginia Elizabeth, born March 31, 1948, Aurora, Indiana. Married Kerry Lawrence, December 8, 1972, Aurora, Indiana.

Child of Virginia Elizabeth and Kerry Lawrence.

d-1. Jared Odell, born September 21, 1973, Portland, Oregon.

b-4. Victoria Hall, born March 27, 1919, Otwell, Indiana.

Married November 17, 1935, Arthur John Althoff, born April 9, 1914, Ohio County. Married at Greenburg, Ind.

Children of Victoria (Stewart) and Arthur John Althoff:

c-1. Julia Hall, born April 12, 1937, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Married June 25, 1957, Donald Richard Laker, Aurora, Indiana, born March 12, 1935.

Children of Julia (Althoff) and Donald Laker:

d-1. Catherine Ann, born January 13, 1960, Bitheg, Germany.

d-2. Lizabeth, born September 3, 1961, Lawrenceburg, Indiana.

c-2. Diana Lewis, born May 14, 1938, Aurora, Indiana. Married November 7, 1959, James Lawrence Cheek, Aurora, Indiana, born January 8, 1936.

Children of Diana (Althoff) and James L. Cheek:

d-1. Steven Lawrence, born March 1, 1961, Lawrenceburg, Indiana.

d-2. Bruce Allen, born January 8, 1968, Lawrenceburg, Indiana.

c-3. John Stewart, born April 4, 1942, Milan, Indiana. Married January 29, 1966 Tina Lee Cole, born December 14, 1946.

Child of Tina Lee and John S. Althoff.

d-1. John Stewart II, born May 20, 1971, Lawrenceburg, Indiana.

b-5. Julia Marie, born January 14, 1922 Aurora, Indiana. Married September 19, 1943 Harvey Eli Poshard Jr., born January 8, 1918. He served in World War II with the rank of Captain.

Children of Julia (Stewart) and Harvey Poshard:

c-1. Susan Victoria, born February 13, 1948, Milan, Indiana. Died November 16, 1966, Columbus, Indiana.

c-2. Victoria, born August 9, 1950, Milan, Indiana. Married Warren Tiffany, March 1975.

c-3. Lisa, born May 15, 1955, Milan, Indiana. Married Jeffrey Stetson, July 1975.

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

- a-7. Infant son, born February 17, 1886. Died March 23, 1886, Haysville, Indiana.
- a-8. Estella May, born April 28, 1887, Haysville, Indiana. Married February 8, 1909 Clement Ellis Craig, born February 13, 1869, Otwell, Indiana. Died August 27, 1958, Otwell, Indiana. Estella was co-author of history, "DeMotte And Allied Families", Author of the history of the Otwell Methodist Churches, contributor to National Genealogy Societies, member of many organizations, is in "Indiana Lives", a "Who is Who In Indiana" publication. C. E. Craig was a noted educator and teacher in Agricultural Colleges, was one of the first to experiment with the Soy bean, and wrote many bulletins for instruction in the study of Agriculture. Had an M.S. Degree in Agriculture from Cornell University.
- 2. Mary Helen DeMotte, born March 17, 1847, Boone Township, Dubois County, Indiana, died May 5, 1917; buried in the Bethel Cemetery. Married October 16, 1898, James Nash. She had lived in the homeplace and cared for her parents during their declining years and until their deaths.
- 3. Eliza A., born June 22, 1849, Boone Township, Dubois County; died October 12, 1912, in Oklahoma. Married January 7, 1869, Job Chappell; born ----; died 1916, Oklahoma.

Children of Eliza A. (DeMotte) and Job Chappell:

- a-1. Elmer, born January 18, 1870.
 - a-2. Stella, born February 19, 1871. Married a Mr. Cranthum.
 - a-3. Elvis, born September 10, 1872, died July 18, 1873.
 - a-4. Austin, born November 18, 1873.
 - a-5. Anna, born March 28, 1875.
 - a-6. Albert, born January 24, 1876.
 - a-7. Willard, born February 15, 1878.
 - a-8. Willie, born January 29, 1879.
 - a-9. Arthur.
 - a-10. Nettie.
 - a-11. Harley.
 - a-12. Ellis.
 - A-13. Guy.
 - a-14. Harry.
 - a-15.
 - a-16. Ethel.
- 4. Hume Lawrence DeMotte, born January 15, 1851, Boone Township, Dubois County, Indiana; died June 22, 1941 at Los Angeles, California. Married Elizabeth Jane Greene, born September 30, 1850; died May 16, Otwell, Indiana, daughter of Davis and Mary Ann (Woods) Greene. After his wife's death, Hume lived with his daughter Bertha in Los Angeles, California and is buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, in Los Angeles, California. His wife is buried in the family plot in the Bethel Cemetery in Boone Township, Dubois County near Otwell.



Edythe M. Wineinger, Lawrence W., Susan DeMotte Wineinger, Gladys Wineinger Ingels, Robert A. Ingels, Lorraine Ingels Burke, Raymond DeMotte Wineinger, Irene Wineinger Rogers, Dennis Wineinger, Kathleen S. and Raymond B. Wineinger.



Ethel DeMotte Whitehead & Robert Ingels, Mary DeMotte Vollburn, Gladys Ingels, Louis B. DeMotte, Lorraine Ingels - 1930



Gladys Wineinger Ingels, Raymond DeMotte Wineinger
Ethel DeMotte, Hume L. DeMotte & Lorraine Ingels,
Susan DeMotte, Ray F. and Irene Wineinger - 1927



Bertus and Bertha DeMotte Artman,
Paul DeMotte Meiling, Dennis W.
Wineinger, Raymond DeMotte, Susie
DeMotte Wineinger, Gladys Wineinger
Ingels, Raymond B. Wineinger.



LUCY DEMOTTE DEMPSEY FAMILIES

Row One--Rodney P. Dempsey with son Frank Leslie. Row Two--Timothy, Joan E., Janice L., Lucy DeMotte Dempsey, Nell D. Shaver, Douglas Shaver holding son Christopher, Jenny D. Shaver, Bettye D. Shelton, Lynn B. Shelton and Wayne Shelton. Row Three--Betty W., Loran G. Dempsey, Beverly S. Johnson, J. Fredrick Johnson holding son Douglas, Dr. W.B. Shaver, Jane Dempsey, Marvin K. Dempsey, Barry Shelton and Lucille M. Dempsey. Row Four--Karen Dempsey in front of Mother, Betty D. Dempsey, Donald M. Dempsey, Clyde P., Howard L., Mary H., Richard LaMotte, Helen G. and Stephen R. Dempsey.





Lucy De Motte Dempsey, Susie De Motte Wineinger



Ray and Susan DeMotte Wineinger
Irene and Gladys
About 1909

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of Hume Lawrence and Elizabeth Jane (Greene) DeMotte:

- a-1. Arthur Belvin, born March 9, 1873, died August 16, 1873.
- a-2. Infant son, born June 2, 1874, died 1874.
- a-3. John William, born August 13, 1876, died November 11, 1883.
- a-4. Susannah, born January 21, 1879, died February 8, 1962, La Crescenta, California. Married January 4, 1902, Ray Franklin Wineinger, born March 4, 1880, died March 24, 1945, La Crescenta, California.

Children of Susannah (DeMotte) and Ray F. Wineinger:

- b-1. Gladys Lorraine, born December 18, 1904. Married August 7, 1923, Anson B. Ingels.

Children of Gladys L. and Anson B. Ingels:

- c-1. Estelle Lorraine, born March 16, 1925. Married June 15, 1949, W. Vincent Burke. Estelle L. Burke, Assistant Director of Nursing Services, at Northridge Hospital, Canoga Park, Calif.

Children of Estelle Lorraine (Ingels) and W. Vincent Burke:

- d-1. Clyde Elizabeth, born January 2, 1950.
- d-2. John Vincent, born September 7, 1951.
- c-2. Robert Anson, born May 22, 1928. Married August 6, 1950, Wilda Corrine Manring.

Children of Robert A. and Wilda (Manring) Ingels:

- d-1. Robert Anson II, born July 31, 1951. Robert A. Ingels, Pilot for Pan American Airways.
- d-2. Janet Lorraine, born February 4, 1957.
- d-3. Jeffrey Nelson, born December 21, 1959.
- b-2. Irene LeMond, born November 22, 1906 in Dubois Co., Indiana, married May 4, 1940 to Joseph Ellis Rogers. She died April 8, 1974. Buried at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Calif.
- b-3. Raymond DeMotte Wineinger, born December 2, 1914 in St. Louis, Missouri. Married March 16, 1943 to Edythe Chase Walters.

Children of Edythe (Walters) and Raymond DeMotte Wineinger:

- c-1. Raymond Bruce, born May 1, 1944. Married Cheryl Johnson April 22, 1970.
- c-2. Kathleen Sue, born March 31, 1947.
- a-5. Bertha, born March 17, 1881 in Illinois. Married April 26, 1947 to Bertis Artman, born April 29, 1874. Bertha died May 18, 1954, buried at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, California.
- a-6. Mary, born October 8, 1883 in Indiana. Died April 17, 1889, buried in Bethel Cemetery.



Dr Lee M. De Motte, Pell Traylor, Frank E. De Motte, Stable hand, H. L. DeMotte, Bertha De Motte
 man in window unidentified.
 Circa, 1902.

DEMOTTE-FISCHER

A wedding of unusual social interest occurred Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. DeMotte, six miles east of Petersburg, when their beautiful and cultured daughter, Elizabeth Wheeler DeMotte, was given in marriage to Mr. Carl E. Fischer, a fine young business man of Jasper. The delightful ceremony was pronounced by the Rev. John Poucher in the presence of a large company of guests, chiefly relatives of the family. The bride enjoys the love and admiration of a large circle of friends in this community. She received the finishing touches of her literary education in the Petersburg high school. The DeMottes have a distinguished connection in Indiana and elsewhere.

Mr. Fischer is skilled in the bakery business, in which he will be engaged in the town of Jasper. After the 25th of this month the young couple will be settled in their own home.

Carl E. Fisher of Jasper, and Miss Elizabeth DeMott of near Algiers, were united in marriage Tuesday evening, September 16th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeMott, by Rev. John Poucher. A large number of relatives and friends were present and witnessed the ceremony. The bride is an accomplished and charming young lady who has a large circle of friends. The groom is a popular young man of Jasper, where he is employed in the bakery business. Their many friends wish them joy and peace in their new home at Jasper where they will reside.

DEMOTTE-EVANS

On Thursday evening, October 25, at the home of her parents Miss Estelle DeMotte and Claude Evans were united in marriage by Rev. M. L. Payton.

A number of relatives and friends of the bride and groom witnessed the ceremony. The wedding march and accompaniment for the ceremony were rendered by Mrs. Alvah Redman, after which a delicious supper was served.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. DeMotte, who live one and one-half miles west of town. She is an accomplished musician and is well known in this community. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Evans. He was a member of the graduating class of O. H. S. '13, and is one of Jefferson township's school teachers.

Both young people are highly respected, and the heartiest congratulations of a host of friends go with them as they launch out on the voyage of wedded life.

DEMOTTE-CARTER

Wednesday evening at eight o'clock Miss Ethel DeMotte, daughter of Hume L. DeMotte of Otwell, and Robert Carter of Petersburg were joined in bonds of matrimony by Rev. A. H. Cohn, Baptist minister, at the Baptist parsonage in Petersburg.

The bride is well and favorably known in Otwell, having a large number of friends here. The groom, a resident of Petersburg, is employed by the Petersburg Milling Co. The couple will go to housekeeping in that town. They have the best wishes of The Star and their many friends.

MARY H. NASH

Mrs. Mary H. Nash, (nee DeMotte) who died at her home two miles east of Otwell Sunday, May 6, was born on the farm place where she died March 17, 1817, having reached the age of 70 years, 2 months and 19 days.

Early in life she was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, being a devout Christian since then; giving unobscured evidences of her Christianity by her unrestrained Christian service. On October 16, 1898, she was married to James R. Nash, now deceased. Deceased is survived by four brothers, Dr. W. M. DeMotte of Otwell, H. L. DeMotte of Petersburg, Wesley E. DeMotte of Huntingburg and Frank DeMotte, just south of Otwell, besides a large number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends who deeply mourn their untimely loss.

Funeral services, in charge of Rev. H. M. Patterson of Otwell M. E. Church were conducted at the residence Monday. The remains were laid to rest in Bethel Cemetery not distant from the home place.

HUME LORENZO DeMOTTE, 90, PASSED AWAY IN CALIFORNIA

An airmail letter from Los Angeles, California brings us the message that Hume Lorenzo DeMotte, a former resident of Otwell, who has been living in California for the past twenty or more years, passed away at his home there on Sunday, June 22, at the age of ninety years, five months and seven days. Mr. DeMotte suffered an attack of influenza with complications in January, and though he did improve some had not been in his usual health since the attack in the winter. At the time of his death, his daughters, Mrs. O. G. Dempsey of Greenville, Kentucky, was at his bedside with her sisters, Mrs. Ray Wincinger of LaCrescenta, Mrs. Ethel Whitehead and Miss Bertha DeMotte, with whom he made his home.

Hume Lorenzo DeMotte was the fourth child in a family of seven, in the home of John and Susannah DeBauler DeMotte, and was born in the Bethel neighborhood in Boone township, Dubois county, Indiana, January 15, 1851. He was the last one of the family, his youngest brother, Frank E. DeMotte of the Vincent community having preceded him in death just three months ago, on March 25. Three other brothers, Charles Albert DeMotte, who died Oct. 8, 1915, Dr. William Milton DeMotte, who died March 3, 1931; Wesley Elwood DeMotte, who died March 6, 1936; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Helen Nash, who died October 16, 1929 and Mrs. F. J. Chappell, who died October 2, 1913, with the parents have preceded him in death.

Mr. DeMotte belonged to two of the most highly respected families of the county, through his mother, who was a descendant of both the Hargrave and DeBauler families, outstanding pioneer settlers of the Highbanks Country in Jefferson township. His father, too, was the son of a highly esteemed pioneer of Pike county. He was educated in the Rising Sun school of Dubois county, which stood a short distance north of the family home, located where Mrs. Ella Bauer now lives, and he was trained in the religious tenets of the church at Bethel, which was just a mile south of the homestead.

Mr. DeMotte was united in marriage with Miss Jane Greene of

Dubois county on February 22, 1872, and they lived for many years on West Washington street, where he operated a livery barn, and drove a stage coach route from Otwell to Petersburg. Mrs. DeMotte passed away in May of 1916, and some time after her death, he with his two daughters still at home, Misses Bertha and Ida DeMotte, moved to California, locating in Los Angeles, where they had since made their home.

Mr. DeMotte was the father of eight children, three of whom, John, the first-born, Mary and Charles, died in infancy or in early childhood. A daughter, Mrs. Ida Meiling passed away several years ago at her home in Eagle Rock, California, leaving four daughters, Mrs. Susan Wincinger of La Cresenta; Mrs. Lucy Dempsey of Greenville, Kentucky; Mrs. Ethel Whitehead and Miss Bertha DeMotte of Los Angeles. Ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren are also living, as well as a large number of nieces and nephews.

The funeral services were held in the Little Church of Flowers at four o'clock, Tuesday afternoon, June 24, with the Rev. Dow Hoffman, pastor of the Methodist church in Los Angeles where Mr. DeMotte attended services, officiating, and the interment was made in beautiful Forest Lawn, Glendale. Many beautiful flowers were a silent tribute to the aged man who had made friends in the place which he had called home for the past quarter century, and in Otwell a kindly memory of him lingers in the hearts of those who still remember with affection his jovial nature and kindly ways.

Among the many who were present at the last services for him, were a number who are known in Otwell, having lived here at one time. They were William DeMotte and Mrs. DeMotte; Mrs. Edith DeMotte; Mrs. Mary DeMotte; Mrs. Gertrude Chappell Hufferd; Miss Clara Alford; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Meiling; Mrs. Kathryn Chaille; Mr. and Mrs. George W. Cox; Mrs. William Gray and daughter, Mrs. Ella Gray Goodwin; Mrs. Phoebe DeMotte Sloan and Mr. Sloan; Mrs. Elizabeth DeMotte Fischer and Mrs. Georgia DeMotte.

CHARLES A. DEMOTTE

POPULAR AND PROGRESSIVE FARMER DIES SUDDENLY

Charles A. Demotte, one of the best known and most progressive farmers in this county, died suddenly at four o'clock last Friday evening near Oakland City. Heart disease is generally assigned as the cause of his death although some physicians think that acute indigestion was the real cause. Mr. Demotte had gone to Oakland City in his car to meet his daughter, Miss Phoebe. His daughter, Miss Garnet, who was driving the car, Mesdames Zack Bell and Hugo Harmeyer were also in the car. Returning home Miss Garnet was driving and when the party reached the turn this side of Oakland City where so many accidents have happened the car swerved and almost ran into the ditch. It was pushed out however without much trouble and soon after Mr. Demotte began to complain of violent pains in his breast. The party stopped at a residence along the road and Mr. Demotte was taken in the house and placed on a sofa where he died before a physician could arrive.

Information of Mr. Demotte's death was telephoned here immediately where it could scarcely be credited by his friends who had seen him in what appeared to be his usual health only a few hours before. In fact his friends everywhere were shocked beyond measure.

The body was removed to his home in Jefferson township Friday evening and funeral services were conducted at the residence Sunday afternoon by the Rev. E. H. Boldrey of the M. E. church of Petersburg, and interment was made in the Walnut Hills cemetery. The funeral was attended by five hundred people from every section of the county and by many persons outside the county. The great number who came to pay their last respects bore evidence of the high esteem in which he was held.

Charles A. Demotte was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Demotte and was born in Duhois county. He moved to Pike county early in life and had resided here ever since that time. About 25 years ago he was married to Miss Ida Wheeler, and to this union were born five children who survive—Mark, Garnet, Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher, Phoebe and Georgia. He is also survived by four brothers: Dr. W. M., Hume L., Frank and Wesley, of Mountain Grove, Mo. He was 58 years, 6 months and 28 days old.

Mr. Demotte was one of the most industrious and progressive farmers in the county. He was a man who never hesitated to meet the demands of modern methods in his business for he was farseeing enough to know that a little increased expense today meant greater development tomorrow. He introduced on his farm the latest methods in farming, dairying and stock raising and kept his farm up to its highest state of efficiency.

While he was always employed he was never too busy to extend a helping hand to his neighbors and friends and was the soul of courtesy to all who came to him. The latch-string was always out to his friends and no effort was spared to make them enjoy themselves.

Although an active republican, he was never a candidate for office. He held an abiding faith in the party's principles and wished and ~~and~~ ^{for its success} simply because of that faith and from the conviction that the party stood for the country's best interests.

Mr. Demotte was an active and a vital force in the county who will be sadly missed. He stood for the highest form of citizenship; his domestic life was model and his relations with his fellows were ideal. He will be missed far beyond the family circle and pleasant memories of his delightful disposition will linger as long as life lasts with those who knew him well.

Elizabeth J. Greene was born near Ireland in Dubois county, August 30, 1850 and died at her home in Otwell early in the morning, Friday, May 19, 1916, at the age of 65 years, 8 months and 19 days.

She had been a silent sufferer for a long time but more than a month ago became bedfast. Her condition grew worse rapidly and she had lain near the point of death for three weeks prior to her demise.

She was married to H. L. DeMotte February 22, 1872. This union was blessed with ten children, five of whom survive the mother. They are Bertha, Ida and Ethel remaining at home; Mrs. Ray Wineinger of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. O. J. Denney of Greenville, Ky. These together with the husband, H. L. DeMotte, deeply mourn the loss of an exceptionally kind and loving mother and wife. One sister, Mrs. William Horton, of Indianola, Nebraska, also survives.

She accepted Christ as her personal Savior at the age of 12 years, uniting with the Cumberland Presbyterian church at that time, of which she was a member until the family moved to Otwell some twenty years ago when she transferred her membership to the M. E. church of this place. She remained a faithful and consistent member here until death, being regular in attendance at all services so far as health permitted, and possessing a zealous, fervent christian spirit.

The last services in the presence of her remains were held at the Otwell M. E. church Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. H. M. Pattison. After this the funeral procession, composed of a large number of relatives and friends, went its way to Bethel cemetery, two miles east, where interment took place.

In Mrs. DeMotte's death the church and community has lost a true, christian lady, and the family a dutiful wife, and kind, loving mother.

When I shall be sleeping
In the quiet grave,
God my soul is keeping,
He is strong to save.

When I shall be sleeping,
When this life shall cease;
Linger not in weeping,
Sing the song, "Sweet Peace."

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to extend our heartfelt thanks to our friends for their loving kindness and assistance during the illness and death of our loving wife and mother.

H. L. DEMOTTE AND DAUGHTERS

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

- a-7. Ida, born August 4, 1885 near Otwell, Indiana, died April 27, 1935. She was buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, California. Married Paul Meling 1916, Los Angeles, Calif. Paul Meling born 1887, Berlin, Germany, died May 24, 1947.

Child of Ida (DeMotte) and Paul Ellis Meling.

- b-1. Paul DeMotte, born August 13, 1917, Los Angeles, California. Died May 31, 1974. He is buried at Valhalla Cemetery, Veterans Section, North Hollywood, California.

- a-8. Lucy, born July 29, 1887. Married 1905, O. G. Dempsey, D.V.M., born April 3, 1883, Dubois County, Indiana. Died September 14, 1945 Greenville, Ky.

Children of Lucy (DeMotte) and O. G. Dempsey:

- b-1. Marvin Kenneth, born September 27, 1906, St. Louis, Missouri. Died June 4, 1971. Married September 25, 1932 to Lucille Moore, born May 5, 1909, Greenville, Ky.

Children of Marvin Kenneth and Lucille (Moore) Dempsey:

- c-1. Donald Moore, July 27, 1933, Greenville, Ky. Married Betty Dunn.

Children of Donald and Betty (Dunn) Dempsey:

- d-1. Timothy Dunn, born July 2, 1957.
d-2. Karen Elizabeth, born May 19, 1959.

c-2. Stephen Riley, born January 11, 1938, Greenville, Ky.
c-3. John Frederick, born November 5, 1940, Greenville, Ky. Married Martha Pearson on December 16, 1973.

Children of John Frederick and Martha (Pearson) Dempsey:

- d-1. Melanie Marie, born December 16, 1974.
d-2. Lincoln Frederick, born September 8, 1976.

c-4. Marcia Jane, born May 17, 1949, Greenville, Ky. Married Paul Meadows Stutts.

Child of Marcia Jane (Dempsey) and Paul Meadows Stutts.

- d-1. Lois Ann, born September 30, 1972.

b-2. Howard Leslie, born October 23, 1909, St. Louis, Missouri. Married August 3, 1935 to Clyde Wheeler Parrish, born June 18, 1911, died September 24, 1976.

Children of Howard Leslie and Clyde (Parrish) Dempsey:

- c-1. Rodney Parrish Dempsey, born July 31, 1937. Married April 10, 1965 to Mary Lu (Miller).

Children of Rodney Parrish and Mary Lu (Miller) Dempsey:

- d-1. Frank Leslie, born November 11, 1965.
d-2. Thomas Parrish, born October 8, 1969.

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- c-2. Mary Howard Dempsey, born April 16, 1945, Greenville, Ky.
- c-3. Susan Fay, born April 3, 1947, Greenville, Ky. Married
Dennis Delano Gudorf (born August 29, 1941) on May 16, 1970.

Child of Susan Fay (Dempsey) and Dennis Gudorf.

- d-1. Jonathan Dennis, born December 11, 1971.

- b-3. Robert DeMotte, born June 5, 1914, Greenville, Ky. Married
April 28, 1934, Frances L. Fleming, born November 5, 1916.

Children of Robert D. and Frances (Fleming) Dempsey:

- c-1. Sandra D., born June 10, 1937.
- c-2. Donna L., born December 12, 1945.

- b-4. Loran Gardner, born August 28, 1916, Greenville, Ky. Married
March 1953, Betty Wilkerson. Served in World War II.

Children of Loran Gardner and Betty Wilkerson Dempsey:

- c-1. Janice Lorainne, born March 10, 1954. Married to Jan Murray
Camplin, March 16, 1974.
- c-2. Joan Elaine Dempsey, born March 28, 1957.
- b-5. Richard Lamont, born April 3, 1919, Greenville, Ky. Served
in World War II.
- b-6. Elizabeth Gene, born March 21, 1923, Greenville, Ky.
Married March 6, 1942, Barry Bivin Shelton, born Febru-
ary 13, 1923.

Children of Elizabeth (Dempsey) and Barry Shelton:

- c-1. Barry Wayne, born November 25, 1946. Married Lynn Buson.

Children of Barry Wayne and Lynn (Buson) Shelton:

- d-1. Chad Douglas Shelton, born August 12, 1971.
- d-2. Kyle Andrew Shelton, born June 24, 1974.
- c-2. David Gardner, born October 30, 1949. Married Debora Hudson.

Child of David Gardner and Debora (Hudson) Shelton.

- d-1. Melissa Carroll, born January 8, 1974.
- b-7. Dorotha Nell, born April 30, 1925, Greenville, Ky. Married
October 25, 1945 to William Beverly Shaver, dentist.

Children of Dorotha Nell (Dempsey) and Dr. William Shaver:

- c-1. Beverly Burke, born February 10, 1947. Married J. Frederick
Johnson.

Children of Beverly Burke (Shaver) and J. Frederick Johnson:

- d-1. Michael Douglas Johnson, born January 13, 1969.
- d-2. Brent Andrew Johnson, born July 11, 1973.



Jane, Hume L., Chas. A., Wm. H., Ida DeMotte
Mrs. Alexander, Anna De Motte and Ella Alexander



Phoebe De Motte Sloane, Estelle De Motte Evans
& Elizabeth De Motte Fischer

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c-2. William Douglas, born December 5, 1950. Married Jennie Ruth Durham.

Children of Douglas and Jennie (Durham) Shaver:

d-1. Wm. Christopher, born December 30, 1968.

d-2. Kimberly Jo, born August 27, 1975.

a-9. Charles Ray, born September 25, 1889. Died June 15, 1890, Otwell, Indiana.

a-10. Ethel, born June 10, 1891, Otwell, Indiana. Married (1) Robert Carter. Divorced. (2) Willoughby Whitehead. Ethel died May 22, 1970, buried Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, California.

5. Charles Albert DeMotte, born May 10, 1858, Boone Twp., Dubois Co., Indiana. Died October 8, 1915 near Algiers, Indiana. Married July 29, 1881, Ida Cordelia Wheeler, born January 4, 1862, Otwell, Indiana, died January 27, 1942, Fullerton, California. They are buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery, Petersburg, Indiana.

Children of Charles Albert and Ida (Wheeler) DeMotte:

a-1. James Alexander, died in infancy.

a-2. Frank Mark, born September 23, 1883, near Algiers, Indiana, died January 16, 1945 Oceanside, California. Married 1909, Eddith Mable Thomas, born January 5, 1885 near Algiers, Indiana, daughter of George and Lucy (Jackson) Thomas, died May 1, 1963, Anaheim, California. Both are buried in Ocean-side Cemetery-South Hill St., Oceanside, California (now run by Eternal Hills). Eddith Mable married Fred Copley in Oceanside (no date at this time).

Children of Mark and Eddith (Thomas) DeMotte:

b-1. Raymond Thomas, born August 10, 1910, near Algiers, Indiana. Married 1933, Valmar Elizabeth Rogers, born Honolulu, Hawaii (date), died October 1972, Fullerton, Calif., buried at Rose Hills Cemetery, Whittier, Calif.

Children of Raymond and Valmar (Rogers) DeMotte:

c-1. Virginia Eddith, born March 26, 1935, Oceanside, Calif. Married Bruce Lloyd in Alhambra 1957.

Child of Virginia (DeMotte) and Bruce Lloyd.

d-1. Mark Robert, born Arizona January 28, 1963.

c-2. Barbara Louise, born December 12, 1940, Honolulu, Hawaii. Married September 1962 Donald Powell.

Child of Barbara (DeMotte) and Donald Powell.

d-1. Leslie, born December 1969, Riverside, Calif.

c-3. Jean Marilyn, born May 27, 1949, El Monte, Calif. Married (summer) 1975, Riverside, Jack -----



Charles Albert DeMotte - March 10, 1858 - October 8, 1915



Mark DeMotte, Garnett DeMotte Cosner, Elizabeth DeMotte Fisher, Phoebe DeMotte Sloane, Georgia DeMotte Lee, Ida Wheeler DeMotte, Mother of all and wife of Charles Albert DeMotte
Taken Mothers Day 1938



Frank E. De Motte
Age, 12



Frank Mark DeMotte
About 1902

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- b-2. Mary Louise, born July 26, 1915, near Algiers, Indiana. Married Harold Kroeger Hight, born March 14, 1912, DeBeque, Colorado, died March 25, 1967, La Jolla, Calif. Harold is buried at Rose Hills Cemetery, Whittier, Calif. Mary Louise remarried April 28, 1969 in Las Vegas, Nevada to Herbert E. Norcross, born December 15, 1909, Montana.

Children of Harold K. and Mary Louise (DeMotte) Hight:

- c-1. Harold Allen, born August 6, 1939, Oceanside, Calif. Married Patricia Meeks (date & place)
Divorced (date)

Child of Harold Allen and Patricia (Meeks) Hight.

- d-1. Damien Gregory, born August 29, 1967, La Jolla, Calif.
Married Jan Gardner, born July 1, 1972, Escondido, Calif.

Child of Harold Allen and Jan (Gardner) Hight.

- d-2. Eric, born July 3, 1973.

- c-2. George Thomas, born July 22, 1944, National City, Calif.
Married March 18, 1967, Anaheim, Calif., Janice Ann Jensen, born March 25, 1945.

Children of George Thomas and Janice (Jensen) Hight:

- d-1. Thomas Adam, born December 23, 1970, Santa Ana, Calif.
d-2. Katy Ann, born July 1, 1974, Fullerton, Calif.

- b-3. George Charles, born September 1, 1918, near Algiers, Ind.
Married 1946, Stella Marie Short, born July 14, 1921, Redlands, Calif. Served in World War II.

Children of George Charles and Stella Marie (Short) DeMotte:

- c-1. Bonnie Lou, born October 31, 1943, Oceanside, Calif.
(DeMotte) Ugrob married to Jack D. Ugrob, June 15, 1962, Solana Beach, California. Jack was born in Cleveland, Ohio. Attended High School in Encinitas, California. Attended two years at Palomar College, San Marcos, Calif. They now live in Encinitas with their three children. Jack D. Ugrob born January 19, 1940.

Children of Bonnie Lou-Jack D. Ugrob:

- d-1. Christine Marie, born March 25, 1963, Oceanside, Calif.
d-2. Jackie Lynn, born July 16, 1965, La Jolla, Calif.
d-3. John Darrel, born April 30, 1969, La Jolla, Calif.

- c-2. Linda Marie, born July 31, 1947, San Diego, Calif. (DeMotte) Keller, was married to Robert E. Keller, Jr., March 15, 1967 in Coeur D'Alene, Idaho. Robert spent four years in the U.S. Navy on a Submarine, after graduating from High School in Kirkland, Washington. They now live in Vista, Calif. with their two children. Robert E. Keller, Jr., born June 10, 1947, Boston, Mass.

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Children of Linda Marie and Robert E. Keller, Jr.:

d-1. Marc Allen, born January 29, 1971, La Jolla, Calif.

d-2. Brian Robert, born February 21, 1973, La Jolla, Calif.

c-3. Patricia Raylene, born March 20, 1950, La Jolla, Calif. (DeMotte) Plumbley, married John L. Plumbley, September 21, 1969 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Patricia and John attended High School in Encinitas, California. John was born in Galveston, Texas. They are now living in San Marcos, California with their daughter. John L. Plumbley born Sept. 28, 1950 at Galveston, Texas.

Child of Patricia and John L. Plumbley.

d-1. JoAnn (Jodi) Raylene, born January 28, 1974, La Jolla, Calif.

b-4. Ida Ruth, born July 23, 1923, near Algiers, Indiana. Married August 16, 1942, Yuma, Arizona, Robert Neoland Baumgartner, born February 12, 1922, Columbus, Ohio. Served in U.S. Army in European theater during World War II. (Son of Howard and Letha Marie (Roberts) Baumgartner.

Children of Ida Ruth (DeMotte) and Robert Baumgartner:

c-1. Gayle Lee, born April 14, 1943, Oceanside, Calif. Married November 12, 1963 Santa Ana, Calif. to David Lee Boone (son of Charles and Jule Boone), born June 3, 1939, Kansas City, Mo. Served U.S. Army 1963-1964.

Children of Gayle (Baumgartner) and David Boone:

d-1. Deborah Lynn, born December 15, 1965, Santa Ana, Calif.

d-2. David Charles, born October 8, 1968, Santa Ana, Calif.

d-3. Michael Robert, born January 21, 1973, Santa Ana, Calif.

c-2. Robert Joseph, born May 7, 1949, Fullerton, Calif. Married December 2, 1972, Garden Grove, Calif. Shirley Dianne Woodward (daughter of Edna Violet (Portner) and Harry E. Woodward), born October 17, 1949, Tacoma, Washington. Robert served in U.S. Army in Vietnam during war in 1971 and 1972.

Robert Neoland Baumgartner holds many awards in youth work including the Silver Beaver in Scouting (Boy Scouts of America): Distinguished Service to Youth Award; Educate For Freedom Award. He was active for many years in the Southern Calif. Juvenile Officer's Assoc. and is a Past President. Bob was instrumental in forming the first Law Enforcement Explorer Post (Boy Scouts of America) in the world.

Gayle Lee is a Past Honored Queen of Bethel 45, International Order of Job's Daughters and Ruth is Past Guardian of same.

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- a-3. Garnett Mabel DeMotte, born November 19, 1885 near Algiers, Indiana. Married September 22, 1925, California, Perry Harland Cosner, born June 10, 1895, Orlando, W. V., died April 7, 1970, Long Beach, Calif. Buried Rose Hills, Whittier, Calif. Garnett Mabel Cosner died October 25, 1972, Corona, Calif. Buried Rose Hills, Whittier, Calif. Garnett was a music teacher and homemaker. Perry worked for Southern California Edison Co. and retired. He was an active Mason and Shriner.
- a-4. Elizabeth Wheeler DeMotte, born September 16, 1894, Algiers, Indiana. Died August 18, 1951, Anaheim, Calif. Buried Rose Hills, Whittier, Calif. Married September 16, 1913, Algiers, Indiana, Carl Edward Fisher, born April 3, 1892, Jasper, Indiana, died September 19, 1975, Anaheim, Calif., buried Rose Hills, Whittier, Calif. They raised eight children and all living at this time. They moved from Indiana to Orange County, Calif. in 1919. They continued working in agriculture and bought a small ranch near Anaheim, Calif. Elizabeth bewell known for hybridizing Rex Begonias and Carl worked with Epiphyllum cacti.

Children of Elizabeth (DeMotte) and Carl Fisher:

- b-1. Mary Helen Fisher, born August 13, 1914, Jasper, Indiana. Daughters of the American Revolution, national number 555329 and Huguenot national number 5-381. Married September 16, 1935, Norwalk, Calif. Ernest Emanuel Eastady, born October 8, 1909, Buena Park, Calif. Ernest was engaged in growing citrus and moved to Exeter, Calif. in 1956 at which time he and his two brothers bought ranches in the Exeter and Lindsay areas. They grow avocados, citrus, apple pears, olives, popegranates.

Children of Mary Helen (Fisher) and Ernest Bastady:

- c-1. Donald Emanuel Bastady, born September 18, 1937, Whittier, Calif. Don has a B.A. and M.A. from Fresno State College, Fresno, California. He teaches business in Monache High School, Porterville, Calif. Married June 18, 1966, Garden Grove, Calif., Shirley Esther Montgomery, born May 4, 1944, Cherokee, Iowa. Attended Pillsbury Bible College, Owatonna, Minn. and a Licensed Vocational Nurse from Fullerton, J.C., Fullerton, Calif.

Children of Shirley (Montgomery) and Donald Bastady:

- d-1. Lisa Marie Bastady, born October 12, 1967, Porterville, Calif.
d-2. David Emanuel Bastady, born February 26, 1971, Lindsay, Calif.
d-3. Sheri Lynn Bastady, born June 20, 1973, Lindsay, Calif.
- c-2. James Edward Bastady, born March 24, 1940, Whittier, Calif. Student Cal Poly University at Pomona, Calif., and elected president of sophmore class. Jim was the first freshman student to earn the gold key for student activities in the college. Died of burns July 17, 1959, San Francisco, Calif. from a forest fire in Sequoia National Park, Calif. July 12, 1959. Buried Exeter Cemetery, Exeter, Calif.

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- b-2. Charles DeMotte Fisher, born October 23, 1916, Near Petersburg, Indiana. Retired from the United States Army after serving in World War II, Korean War and Vietnam.
- b-3. Mark Roger Fisher, born January 6, 1920, Otwell, Ind. Married August 26, 1942, Long Beach, Calif. Reatha Magdaline Ochner, born June 30, 1922, Sutton, Nebraska. Served in World War II, retired April 1972 from Anaheim Police Dept. after 26½ years, golfs, gardens, and does volunteer work for Senior Citizens. Reatha employed by State of California Employment Development Department as Employment assistant. They live in Anaheim, Calif.

Children of Mark Roger Fisher and Reatha (Ochner) Fisher:

- c-1. Georgia Lucile, born July 22, 1943, Long Beach, Calif. Married Walker Inman Jr., September 13, 1960 at Anaheim, Calif. Walker Inman Jr. born September 13, 1929, Augusta, Georgia. Se attached page.

Children of Georgia Fisher and Walker Inman Jr.:

- d-1. Lisa Janae, born November 15, 1961, Valpariso, Florida.
- d-2. Walker Patterson III, born December 17, 1963, Anaheim, Calif.
- d-3. Natalie Alice, born August 25, 1966, Columbus, Ohio.
- d-4. Cara Lee, born October 4, 1973, Columbus, Ohio.

- c-2. Mark Roger II, born July 30, 1945, Long Beach, Calif. Married November 12, 1966, Anaheim, Calif. Linda Espinoza, born June 2, 1947. Mark II employed Park and Recreation Department, City of Anaheim. Served 4 years in U.S. Navy. Still attends college classes. Linda is bookkeeper for Orthodonist in Anaheim.

Children of Mark II and Linda Fisher:

- d-1. Karilyn Marie, born July 30, 1968, Anaheim, Calif.
- d-2. Elizabeth Ann, born July 28, 1975, Anaheim, Calif.

- b-4. Max Edgar Fisher, born October 18, 1921, Coats Springs, Indiana. Served in World War II as Lt. in U.S.N.R. Has B.S. and M.A. from Cal Poly University at San Luis Obispo, Calif. Married July 2, 1950, Paso Robles, Calif. Louise Marie Hamm, born November 9, 1926, El Paso Del Robles, Calif. Attended Grace Bible Institute, Omaha, Nebraska. Edgar is chairman of Agriculture Dept. and teaches at Hilmar, Calif. He was awarded the Honorary American Farmer.

Children of Edgar Fisher and Louise (Hamm) Fisher:

- c-1. Robert Edgar Fisher, born July 3, 1951, Paso Robles, Calif. Has B.S. from Cal Poly Univ. at San Luis Obispo, Calif. and is State Farmer of Future Farmers of America. Married July 17, 1976, Turlock, Calif. Cindy Rae Perrin, born December 13, 1954, Vancouver, Washington.

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- c-2. Richard Lee Fisher, born August 12, 1953, Turlock, Calif. California State Farmer of Future Farmers of America. Student at Cal Poly University, San Luis Obispo, Calif.
- c-3. Ronald Alan Fisher, born April 5, 1959, Turlock, Calif. California State Farmer of Future Farmers of America.
- b-5. Carl Edward, Jr., born October 19, 1923, near Algiers, Indiana. Married February 16, 1947, Santa Ana, Calif. to Andronickie (Pina) Pappas, born November 3, 1925, Santa Ana, Calif. Served in World War II. Degrees from University of California at Santa Barbara and Univ. of Southern Calif. Principal of Mira Costa High School, Hermosa Beach, Calif. Pina, graduate of Univ. of Calif. at Santa Barbara, Calif.

Children of Carl Edward, Jr. and Andronickie (Pappas) Fisher:

- c-1. William Jeffery, born May 28, 1950, Santa Monica, Calif. Married July 9, 1976 Heidi Gonzales Rodriguez, San Jose, Costa Rica. Heidi, born 1954 San Jose, Costa Rica. Heidi a Math major at Univ. of Costa Rica. William degree from Univ. of Calif. at San Diego, and now Assessor of Physical Education for the city of San Isidro, Costa Rica.
- c-2. Scott Edward, born August 28, 1952, Santa Monica, Calif. Four year basketball scholarship, Rice University, Texas and degree.
- c-3. Barry Thomas, born May 5, 1956, Santa Monica, Calif. Student at Univ. of Calif. at Santa Barbara, Calif.
- c-4. Melissa Ann, born May 21, 1960, Torrance, Calif.
- b-6. John Lawrence, born March 19, 1926, Algiers, Indiana. Married January 1, 1948 Anaheim, Calif. to Evelyn Davies, born December 1, 1927, Anaheim, Calif. Served in World War II. Apple rancher in Templeton, Calif. area. Both active in Farm Bureau, Republican party, and Evelyn a youth leader.

Children of John Lawrence Fisher and Evelyn (Davies) Fisher:

- c-1. Nanette, born August 2, 1949, Fullerton, Calif.
- c-2. Georgette, born April 21, 1952, Fullerton, Calif. Married October 30, 1971, Paso Robles, Calif. James Alfred Willhoit, born August 12, 1949, Atascadero, Calif.
- c-3. Yvette, born June 24, 1953, Fullerton, Calif. Married October 2, 1976, San Diego, Calif. Patrick Michael Gallagher, born January 25, 1951. B.A. Univ. of San Diego, Calif.
- c-4. Carlette, born September 28, 1954, Redding, Calif. Degree in Interior Decorating. Living in San Jose, Calif.
- c-5. Paulette, born February 13, 1957, Santa Ana, Calif. Married September 5, 1976, San Francisco, Calif. Robert Bain Gill, born April 7, 1955, Thermont, Maryland.
- b-7. James Donald Fisher, born September 11, 1928, Algiers, Indiana. Married August 7, 1950, Buena Park, Calif. Lois Darlene Stevens, born May 16, 1930, Pampa, Texas. Served Korea War. Received Graduate School of Banking Degree. Contractor in Riverside, Calif.

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Children of James Fisher and Darlene (Stevens) Fisher:

- c-1. Steven Allen, born October 27, 1953, Orange, Calif. Scholarship to the Univ. of California, Los Angeles, Calif. Degree B.A. Economics 1976. Perspective wedding August 1, 1977, Linda Susan Brossman, born February 25, 1955, Hollywood, Calif.
- c-2. Karen Elizabeth, born April 1, 1956, Orange, Calif.
- c-3. Bruce Wayne, born March 27, 1958, Fullerton, Calif.

- b-8. Johanna Fisher, born November 12, 1931, 136 No. Yale, Fullerton, Calif. Married March 20, 1951, First Christian Church, Fullerton, Calif. Charles Emerald Cariker, born April 2, 1928, 125 No. Yale, Fullerton, Calif. Both were born on the same street and had same attending physician, and met in high school orchestra. Swimming pool contractor, living Orange, Calif.

Children of Johanna Fisher and Charles Cariker:

- c-1. Kathryn Anne, born October 27, 1952, Fullerton, Calif. Married September 5, 1971 to James David Harding, born December 4, 1947, Orange, Calif.

Children of Kathryn Anne (Cariker) and James David Harding:

- d-1. Joshlyn Anne, born July 22, 1972, Orange, Calif.
- d-2. Matthew David, born May 28, 1975, Orange, Calif.

- c-2. Timothy Craig, born September 11, 1955, Orange, Calif.
- c-3. Carla Elizabeth, born November 20, 1956, Orange, Calif.

- a-5. Phoebe Evaline DeMotte, born December 25, 1896, Algiers, Ind. Married (1) 1916, divorced 1920, Paul Kennedy Mason, born October 26, 1891, Oaklane City, Indiana. Married (2) George Edward Sloane, born November 30, 1901, Starbuck, Washington. Died January 31, 1950, Stockton, Calif., buried Sunnyside Cemetery, Long Beach, Calif. Phoebe DeMotte Sloan died January 2, 1975, Shreveport, Louisiana and buried Forest Park Cemetery, Shreveport, La.

Child of Phoebe (DeMotte) and Paul Mason.

- b-1. Charlotte Albertine, born June 12, 1918, Algiers, Indiana. Daughters of American Revolution national no. 494542. Married (1) July 5, 1938, Gene Gordon Campbell, born May 12, 1911, Pittsburgh, Pa., died March 28, 1948, Long Beach, Calif. buried Sunnyside Cemetery, Long Beach, Calif. Gene Gordon Campbell was owner of the Campbell Music Company, Long Beach, Calif. Married (2) January 1949, Harold David Howell, born May 5, 1906, Birmingham, Alabama, died September 5, 1950, Oakland, Calif. buried Birmingham, Alabama. Member of the National Association of Music Merchants, Inc. Married (3) December 30, 1951, Shreveport, Louisiana, James Theodore Marxer Clark, born May 2, 1926, Des Moines, Iowa. Served in U.S. Navy 1944-46, So. Pacific, Rdm 3 c. Is in the insurance business in Shreveport, La.

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Children of Albertine (Mason) and Gene Gordon Campbell:

- c-1. Peggy Gean Campbell, born October 30, 1939, Fullerton, Calif. Married February 15, 1958, Shreveport, La., John Fredrick Wolcott, born November 18, 1930, Shreveport, La.

Children of Peggy Gean (Campbell) and John Wolcott:

- d-1. John Fredrick Wolcott II, born November 1, 1958, Shreveport, La.
- d-2. Matthew Campbell Wolcott, born February 20, 1961, Shreveport, La.
- d-3. Mark Harrison Wolcott, born May 17, 1966, Shreveport, La.
- c-2. Stephen Gene Campbell, born July 2, 1944, Long Beach, Calif. Served U.S. Navy, Australia 5 years as Seaman 1st Class. Married December 1, 1973 Duncanville, Tex. Carolyn Crowford, born December 8, 1951, Duncanville, Texas. Studying Theology at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La.
- c-3. Phoebe Jean Campbell, born February 18, 1946, Long Beach, Calif. Married March 27, 1967 Shreveport, La. Paul Guy Folse, born February 1, 1945 Shreveport, La. U.S. Air Force 1967-71.

Children of Phoebe Jean (Campbell) and Paul Folse Jr.:

- d-1. Michelle Renee Folse, born April 20, 1968, Myrtle Beach, So. Carolina.
- d-2. Sandra Elizabeth Folse, born April 25, 1970, Air Force Hospital, Tachikawa, Japan.
- d-3. Charlotte Louise Folse, born August 21, 1972, Shreveport, La.

Child of Albertine and Harold David Howell.

- c-1. Mason Taylor Howell, born December 31, 1949, Oakland, Calif. U.S. Army Tank Div. Sgt. Studying for Masters degree in History and Theology at Louisiana State Univ., Baton Rouge, La.

Children of Albertine and James T. Clark:

- c-1. Mary Jane Clark, born August 6, 1952, Birmingham, Alabama. Mary Jane Alpha Chi Omega, Louisiana Tech. University. Married June 12, 1973 Shreveport, La. Mark Ancil Mason, born February 1, 1950. C-141 pilot at Travis A.F.B., California. His father is a retired Col. in A.F. and both brothers are pilots in A. F.

Child of Mary Jane (Clark) and Mark Mason.

- d-1. Mark James Mason, born July 17, 1974, Craig Air Force Base, Selma, Alabama.
- c-2. Elizabeth Ann Clark, born July 30, 1956, Shreveport, La. Junior Olympic swimmer, Winner of 150 Gold medals in A.A.U. Married April 19, 1975, Shreveport, La. to Vincent Clayton James, born September 4, 1950, Shreveport, Louisiana.



Mr. and Mrs. Wesley De Motte
and son, Wm. Omah and daughter, Ruth, about 1909.

OTWELL

OTWELL, PIKE COUNTY, IND., FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 1936

WESLEY E. DeMOTTE SUCCUMBS TO ILLNESS

Wesley Elmer DeMotte, a brother of Frank DeMotte of this community, passed away at his home, 3926 Benton street, Washington, D. C., Friday, March 6, 1936, at the age of 73 years, 3 months and 11 days. The funeral services were held there Monday, March 9, and the interment was made in one of the beautiful cemeteries of the city.

Wesley DeMotte, one of seven children in the family of John and Susanah DeBruler DeMotte, was born in Boone township, Dubois county, Indiana, on the farm now owned by Jacob Bauer, November 25, 1862. Of that family of two girls and five boys, only two are living, Frank Everett DeMotte, of near Otwell and Hume Lawrence DeMotte of Los Angeles, California.

Mr. DeMotte is also survived by his wife, Mrs. Iva B. DeMotte, a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Hook, both of Washington City, and a son, William Omar DeMotte, of Mesteetse, Wyoming, and a wide circle of nieces and nephews.

Just a year ago, on March 25, Mr. DeMotte, who has long been a constant and careful reader of the Star, wrote us an interesting letter, in which he enclosed some valuable historical material pertaining to the pioneer family, the DeMottes, and a personal history of himself, which he said he hoped we

would find of use when we needed to prepare an obituary for him. At that time Mr. DeMotte was suffering from an incurable disease, and expressed a hope that since he was better known in the communities served by the Star, we would be interested in using something of what he had written. We prefer to use the history just as Mr. DeMotte wrote it a year ago, knowing that, like us, his many other friends here will appreciate reading the article which was written in his own style, and hope it will awaken pleasant memories of the man who lived joyously to the end, uncomplainingly bearing the cross of his afflictions, interested in staying in this life just as long as he felt that he could contribute something worthwhile to its welfare.

He wrote:

"I, Wesley Elmer DeMotte, born November 25, 1862, attended the district school at Rising Sun, Boone township, Dubois County, Indiana, during winter months from 1869 to 1880. My vacations were spent working on Father's farm.

During the Spring of 1880, I attended a Normal school at Jasper—a six weeks term—after which I successfully passed an examination for teachers license, making a grade sufficient to warrant a six months' certificate which would entitle me to pay at the rate of \$1.40 per day. I again attended the same Normal during the spring of 1881, raising my grade to warrant a 12 months' license, \$1.60 per day. This was the extent of my school attendance. However, by home study, in 1884 I succeeded in advancing my grade sufficiently to warrant a 24 months' license, the highest I ever received.

My efforts as school teacher were confined to schools in Dubois county, including three terms at Kellerville, two terms at Lochenour, one at Rising Sun, two at Adams, two at Mahan, two at Hillsboro and two at Ireland. My first school was at Kellerville, an 84 days' term, for which I received \$117.60 from which I paid for room and board at the rate of \$2.10 per week. I spent the time between terms at farming. I also served as township assessor of Madison township from 1893 to 1897.

About the year 1886, I bought, for \$800, a 40 acre tract of land, unimproved except 15 acre cleared for cultivation, which was part of what had been the Peter Winger farm, located one-half mile due south of the old Bethel Church site, and during the latter part of 1888 erected a small frame dwelling.

On December 16, 1888, I was married to Iva Brittain, daughter of the late William C. Brittain of Ireland, Indiana, and on January 2, 1889 we occupied the new house. We sold this farm in the

From July 1, 1903 to July 1, 1907, I served, jointly with Lee Tilman, as Star Route mail carrier on the route from Otwell to Jasper. To encourage passenger traffic along the route, we operated a three seated horse-drawn vehicle, commonly called a "hack", which was duly christened by an obliging passenger, the Wesley-Lee.

In September, 1907, we moved to Wright county, Missouri to a farm located 6½ miles south west of Mountain Grove which I had purchased in August of that year. We remained on this farm until 1912 when we sold it and moved to Mountain Grove where I engaged in the real estate, farm loan and insurance business until October 1915, when I sold the business and returned to Indiana to accept a general agency for a life insurance company, and we located at Huntingburg.

In January, 1918, I successfully passed examination for position as Clerk, Departmental Service and accepted appointment to the Military Intelligence Division, War Department and took oath of office April 9, 1918.

On June 30, 1919, I was transferred to the Finance Division, War Department where I remained until July 1, 1921 when I was again transferred to the Bureau of Pensions, Interior Department, and assigned to the Law Division. I remained with the Pension Service until April 30, 1933 when I was retired in accordance with Section 1 of the Amended Retirement Act of May 29, 1930, having reached the age of 70 years.

I have been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 1888 and a member of Washington Centennial Lodge No. 14, F. & A. M. since 1923.

I believe in the teachings of Jesus Christ, and that the only assurance of a successful life on earth is to follow closely his precepts; that the only sure remedy for evil, in all its various forms is a complete subjugation to the Divine Will; an earnest desire, on the part of the individual, to be led by the Holy Spirit.

I appreciate the thoughts expressed in the following lines written by the poet, Browning:

"Life changes all our thoughts of Heaven.

At first, we think of streets of gold
Of gates of pearl and dazzling light
Of shining wings and robes of white
And things all strange to mortal sight;

But in the afterward of years
It is a more familiar place;
A home unhurt by sighs and tears
Where waiteth many a well-known face.

With passing months it comes more near;

It grows more real day by day—
The glad homeland not far away,
Where none are sick or poor or lone—
The place where we shall find our own.



Death Removes John DeMotte

OTWELL, Nov. 3.—John DeMotte, age 75, retired farmer, died at the Baker nursing home in Jasper at 10:50 p. m. Saturday.

He was the son of Dr. Wm. and Anna (Niehaus) DeMotte and was born at Haysville November 9, 1876.

Mr. DeMotte is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edith DeMotte; four sons, Louis DeMotte, of Los Angeles, Calif.; William DeMotte, of Southgate, Calif.; Walter DeMotte, of Reseda, Calif.; and Ellis DeMotte, of Otwell; two daughters, Mrs. Marjorie Dillon, of Otwell, and Mrs. Mary Vollbron, of Los Angeles; two brothers, Dr. Lee DeMotte, of Petersburg, and Ben DeMotte, of Oceanside, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. Evelyn Davison and Mrs. Stella Craig, both of Otwell, and Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart, of Aurora; 17 grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Otwell Methodist church, with Rev. Shell officiating, assisted by Rev. Claude Hayes. Burial will be in the I. O. O. F. cemetery in Otwell.

The body will be taken to the church at 10 a. m. Tuesday to lie in state until the funeral hour.

Anna DeMotte

Mrs. Anna DeMotte, wife of Dr. William L. DeMotte, passed away at her home on west Washington Street, Thursday afternoon, May 3, 1923, after a lengthy invalidism, covering a period of several years, due to paralysis, at the age of 70 years, 4 months and 23 days.

Mrs. DeMotte, whose maiden name was Anna Neihaus,, was born near Huntingburg, Dubois County, December 10, 1852.

On January 15, 1873 she was united in marriage to Dr. William L. DeMotte who survives her. To their union were born three sons and three daughters: Benjamin, of Huntingburg, Dr. Lee DeMotte, of Petersburg; John H. residing north of Otwell; Mrs. Ralph B. Davidson, of Clay township; Mrs. O. H. Stewart, of Aurora and Mrs. Ellis Craig, of New Mexico. Sixteen grandchildren, one great-grandchild two sisters and a brother are also left.

Mrs. DeMotte was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and as long as she was well attended services regularly.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon by the Rev. M. L. Payton, and interment made in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.



Estelle DeMotte Evans
About 1922



Ruth DeMotte Hook
About 1910

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

- a-6. Georgia Helen DeMotte, born September 13, 1902, Algiers, Indiana. Married June 7, 1935, Charles Bryan Lee, born September 5, 1900, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Charles retired from the Shell Oil Co., Long Beach, Calif. Georgia taught school over 40 years and retired from the Fullerton Elementary School, Fullerton, California. She died September 10, 1961, Fullerton, Calif. and buried Rose Hills Cemetery, Whittier, California.
5. Wesley Elsworth, born November 25, 1862, Boone Twp., Dubois County, Indiana. Died March 6, 1936, at Washington, D.C. Married December 16, 1888 to Iva Brittain, born June 14, 1868, Dubois County, Indiana, died October 31, 1952 at Washington, D.C. Both buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Washington, D.C. She was the daughter of William and Samantha (Mathis) Brittain.

Children of Wesley E. and Iva (Brittain) DeMotte:

- a-1. William Omah, born September 18, 1890, Boone Twp., Dubois Co., Indiana. Died 1960, near Oceanside, California. Married March 18, 1917 to Dolores Scovel, born November 19, 1891. Lived mostly in Wyoming, later in Southern California.
- a-2. Ruth, born August 10, 1893, Dubois Co., Indiana. Married Arthur Hook, born July 7, 1901.

Child of Ruth (DeMotte) and Arthur Hook.

- b-1. William, born April 24, 1930, Washington, D.C. Married June, 1956 to Beverly Joy Dobrovolny. Wm. A. Hook is in research at John Hopkins University, has a Ph. D. Degree.

Children of Wm. A. and Beverly J. (Dobrovolny) Hook:

- c-1. Carol Susan, born 1957.
- c-2. Walter Brian, born 1958.

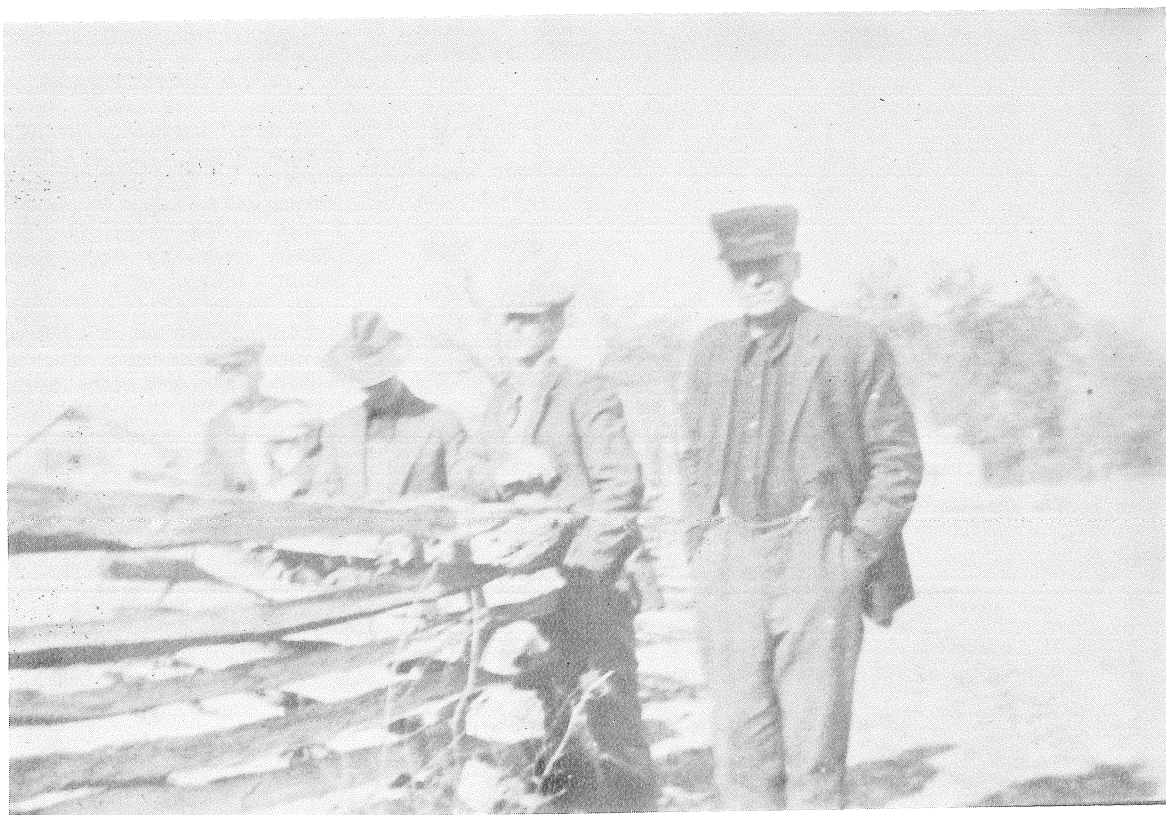
7. Frank E., born March 23, 1870, Boone Twp., Dubois Co., Indiana, died March 25, 1941 at Otwell, Indiana. Married Armina Nash, born June 12, 1874, daughter of James and Sarah (Reese) Nash. Died Otwell, Indiana Jul 22, 1957

Child of Frank E. and Armina (Nash) DeMotte.

- a-1. Estelle, born September 24, 1896 in Dubois Co., Indiana. Married November 25, 1915 to Claud Evans, born May 26, 1894 at Otwell, Indiana. Died Jan. 29, 1963 at Otwell, Indiana. Estelle has had a very interesting career, is an author, artist, and leader in the church and community, as well as successfully helping manage the large farm they operate. She staged the Bi-Centennial program for Pike County, which was a large and lavish production. She wrote the script and was in charge of the entire production. She is a charter member of the D.A.R. Chapter in Pike County. She had a musical education and is an accomplished pianist. She wrote the history of the Methodist Church in cooperation with Estella DeMotte Craig, wrote a history of old time Camp Meetings. She procured instruction for their son, Gale



Mr & Mrs Frank De Motte, daughter ,Estelle
House built, 1878



Bob Carter, Claude Evans, F. Mark DeMotte
and Frank E. DeMotte

FRANK DEMOTTE DIES SUDDENLY

Frank Everett DeMotte, prominent farmer of the Vincent community, was born March 23, 1870 in the Bethel community, Boone township, Dubois county, Indiana. He was the youngest of seven children, two daughters and five sons, of John and Susannah DeBruler DeMotte, prominent citizens of their county, who were active in the church and civic affairs of their community. His parents, three brothers and two sisters have preceded him in death, leaving one brother, Hume Lorenzo DeMotte, who was ninety years old on January 13, this year.

As a boy, Mr. DeMotte worked on his father's farm, and secured such education as the schools of that day afforded, attending the Rising Sun school near his home. In early life he chose farming as his vocation and was very successful in his chosen occupation, bringing his farm to a high degree of productivity and making it one of the attractive rural homes of the community.

He was married to Miss Armenta Nash, of the Vincent community, on September 1, 1892 and they began their housekeeping on the farm where he spent the remainder of his life and where he died on Thursday, March 23, at the age of seventy-one years, having reached this age on Sunday, March 23, two days previous to his passing, his death ending here a good, useful, influential life.

A daughter, Estelle, now Mrs. Claude Evans, came to make the happiness of Mr. and Mrs. DeMotte complete and she with her husband, Claude E. Evans, have given the parents the most loving consideration and have aided in making the home an ideal one in beauty, hospitality and friendliness. The love, respect and devotion of the only grandson, Gale E. Evans has been a great satisfaction and pleasure to Mr. DeMotte in his declining years and added interest and pleasure to the sunset of his life.

Early in life Mr. DeMotte professed his faith in Christ and in the resurrection of the dead. He was a member of the Otwell Methodist church, living a life consistent with his profession.

His passing is greatly mourned by his faithful companion of more than forty-eight years; by the daughter, Mrs. Estelle Evans and husband, Claude E. Evans; by the grandson, Gale E. Evans, the aged brother, H. L. DeMotte; a number of nieces and nephews and a wide circle of admiring friends.

They say Frank DeMotte is dead, but in the hearts of his family, his neighbors, and his friends, many fond and cherished memories shall continue to abide, and to live in the hearts of our friends is not to die. The good deeds of his life are a monument to his memory. It has been good to know him.

Simple funeral services were held at the home at ten o'clock, Thursday morning, March 27, with the Rev. William Ross Lathom, pastor of the Otwell Methodist church officiating and the interment was made in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Otwell. A large number of the friends of the family gathered at the home to pay tribute to the man who was gone. At the hour the minister began the short service with the reading of the scripture using Isaiah 53, a favorite passage of Mr. DeMotte for many years, following the reading with a prayer. Shirley Captharp of Otwell sang "Some Day the Silver Cord Will Break," and Sampson Alexander of the Cato community read a brief obituary, after which Mr. Lathom gave a short sermonette, emphasizing the thought that death does not end life but opens the door to larger, fuller life and that this day of crowning for Mr. DeMotte is a victory day, when he enters fully into the life of service without pain, sorrow, illness or fear, for the Master of Life Eternal.

DIES TUESDAY AS HE SITS AT NOON MEAL

Had Suffered of Bad Heart For
Two Years.—Funeral From
Home Thursday Morning.

Frank E. DeMotte, one of the best known citizens and farmers of Jefferson township, died at 12:15 Tuesday afternoon, March 25th, at his home. While Mr. DeMotte had been in poor health for the past two years, suffering of heart trouble, he appeared no worse Tuesday forenoon. He remained indoors and listened to the radio most of the morning. He went to the dinner table and had about completed his noon-day meal when he suffered a heart attack and died without a word, sitting in his chair at the table.

Frank E. DeMotte was born in Dubois county, March 23, 1870, a son of John and Susan DeBruler DeMotte and had reached the age of 71 years and 2 days at his sudden passing. He was the youngest of a family of seven born to his parents and the last except one, a brother Hume, now 91 years old living in Los Angeles, California.

Born and reared on a farm, Mr. DeMotte early learned the better ways of soil production and made a success of the work throughout his long life as a farmer.

September 1, 1892 he was united in marriage to Armenta Nash who survives. For almost a half century they lived happily together and their home was open house throughout the years. They delighted in their friends and their home was open at all times and many happy events were held there and their devotion to each other was marked at all times. Surviving with the widow are the one daughter, Mrs. Claude Evans and one grandson, Gale Evans, all one family. They had so lived from the birth of the daughter.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. DeMotte took place in the home where he died and where they had lived all but five years of their married life. It was the same farm on which Mrs. DeMotte was born. From their marriage to August, 1897 they lived on Mr. DeMotte's Dubois county farm, at that time moving to the farm where they spent the remainder of his life and on which she will spend her last days.

Deceased was a member of the Otwell Methodist church and during his active years took much delight in the cause the church represented. He was active in farm meetings and organizations, and was, throughout his life active in the democratic party.

Few men throughout the county were better known than Frank DeMotte. His was a personality all his own. He loved people and enjoyed his home and his work. At all times and under all circumstances he was honorable in his dealings with men. And he was always ready to help others and turned none away. His advice was much sought and as a citizen was the peer of any citizen of the county and his death is mourned by many friends throughout the county.

The funeral service was held at 10:00 o'clock Thursday morning in the home where the greater part of his life was lived. Rev. Ross Lathom, pastor of the Otwell Methodist church, had charge of the service. Burial was in the Otwell I. O. O. F. cemetery. The service was largely attended by friends from most every section of the county.

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GALE EDWIN EVANS

Funeral services for Gale Edwin Evans, 53, of Otwell, operator of the DeMotte-Evans Farms, will be today, Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Otwell Methodist Church with the Rev. Homer Summitt officiating.

Mr. Evans suffered a sudden heart attack in a doctor's office in Owensville, Kentucky, Tuesday, August 31, and died at the Daviess County hospital in Owensboro at 12:30 p.m.

He was born December 9, 1917 in Otwell, a son of Claude E. and Estelle DeMotte Evans. He attended school in Otwell. He was an accomplished violinist. He married the former Evelyn France Evans, May 6, 1951 in the McCutchanville Methodist Church. He was a farmer and a member of the Otwell Methodist Church and taught a Sunday school class.

Surviving are his mother; his wife; two daughters, Janice Evans and Jean Evans, both at home.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Burial will be in the Otwell IOOF Cemetery.

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Jean, Janice, Evelyn &
Gale Evans



Jeannie Evans
1974



Janice Evans
1974

John (Banta) DeMotte continued

to start him on his career as a concert violinist. Gale was a member of the Evansville Symphony Orchestra for several years. Gale too was a very proficient and enterprising person, he pioneered many things in Agriculture, and in improved ways to do things. He was a graduate of Lockyears Business College, a skilled Accountant, a leader in Agriculture Associations, as well as a leader and member of the Otwell Methodist Church, he was a skilled and versatile man in many endeavors.

Child of Estelle (DeMotte) and Claud Evans.

b-1. Gale Edwin, born December 9, 1917 at Otwell, Indiana. Died August 31, 1971. Married May 6, 1951 to Evelyn France, born May 4, 1922, McCutchanville, Indiana. Daughter of Ivan and Elnora (Swope) France.

Children of Gale E. and Evelyn (France) Evans:

- c-1. Janice Elaine, born May 18, 1952. Janice is an instructor in Business Administration at Evansville College.
- c-2. Jean Marie, born February 14, 1956. Jeannie is pursuing a musical career at Austin Peay University. She is a very talented soprano. Janice is a talented pianist and accompanies Jeannie in their recitations.

CLAUDE E. EVANS

Claud E. Evans of the DeMotte-Evans farm one mile west of Otwell, died Tuesday at 10 a. m. in the Jasper Memorial hospital after a two weeks illness.

Mr. Evans was taken to the hospital two weeks ago suffering from double pneumonia and was able to be brought home Thursday of last week. He was apparently getting along nicely and was able to be up and around. He became suddenly worse and was taken back to the hospital Sunday night.

He was born in Indiana, May 16, 1894 a son of Nathan and Mary Shell Evans and was 68 years of age at the time of his death.

For several years he had been afflicted from diabetes.

He is survived by his wife, the former Estella DeMotte; a son, Gale of Otwell; two granddaughters and three brothers, Otto, Jess and Clovie all of Akron, Ohio.

Mr. Evans was a farmer and a member of the Otwell Methodist church where the body will be taken on Thursday at 9:30. Funeral services will follow at 10:30 with the Rev. Harold Gray officiating. Burial will be in the IOOF cemetery.

- III. William Banta DeMotte, son of Lawrence and Phoebe (Banta) DeMotte, born September 10, 1825. Died March 9, 1852. Married 1848, Eliza DeBruler, born April 13, 1828, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Ray (Hargrave) DeBruler.

Children of William and Eliza (DeBruler) DeMotte:

1. Elizabeth, married Matthew Marshall. They lived in Illinois.
2. Clara, married Walter Scott. They lived in Illinois.

- IV. Daniel, son of Lawrence and Phoebe (Banta) DeMotte, born February 28, 1828. Died January 16, 1862. Not married. He is buried in the Craig Graveyard.

- V. James Banta DeMotte, son of Lawrence and Phoebe (Banta) DeMotte, born January 1, 1830, died November 14, 1859. Married May 21, 1857, Mellissa Anderson, born June 16, 1840. Died July 22, 1862.

Child of James and Mellissa (Anderson) DeMotte.

1. Elizabeth, born July 25, 1858. Died October 15, 1874. They are buried in the Shiloh Cemetery, Dubois County, Indiana.

- VI. David Banta DeMotte, son of Lawrence and Phoebe (Banta) DeMotte, born February 13, 1832 in Pike County, Indiana. Died December 14, 1900. Married October 10, 1859 to Sarah Greene, born January 4, 1834. Died September 3, 1903. Both were born in Indiana, and are buried in New Lebanon Cemetery in Marion Township, Pike County, Indiana. She was the daughter of Lewis and Sallie (Ritchie) Greene.

Children of David Banta and Sarah (Greene) DeMotte:

1. Martha, born September 29, 1860.
2. John, born November 10, 1861.
3. Charlotte, born 1862.
4. Mary Elizabeth, born 1864.
5. Lawrence, born November 24, 1865. Died November 13, 1882.
6. Sallie, born March 30, 1873.

1. Martha, born September 29, 1860. Died 1932. Married 1887 to Frank Swanser, born 1864. Died 1906. They lived in Montana.

Children of Martha (DeMotte) and Frank Swanser:

- a-1. Lawrence Anton, born August 28, 1888. Married September 1909 to (1) Margaret Barrie Alcorn, born June 25, 1893. Died May 8, 1930.
(2) Eva May Coulter, born May 5, 1896. Married May 22, 1932.

Children of Lawrence and Margaret Barrie (Alcorn) Swanser:

- b-1. Frances Jane.
- b-2. Lawrence James
- b-3. John Alcorn.
- b-4. Margaret Carol.
- b-5. Mary, born and died January 18, 1930.

David (Banta) DeMotte continued

- b-1. Frances Jane, born June 27, 1910. Married February 12, 1930 to Walter Scott Hunter, born May 22, 1906.

Child of Frances Jane (Swanser) and Walter Scott Hunter

- c-1. Lawrence Wayne, born January 26, 1938.

- b-2. Lawrence James, born August 9, 1912. Married March 21, 1936 to Selah May Ware, born September 26, 1916.

Child of Lawrence James and Selah May (Ware) Swanser.

- c-1. James Powell, born August 31, 1948.

- b-3. John Alcorn, born November 11, 1915. Married January 21, 1938 to Dora Edith Coulter, born September 25, 1918.

Children of John Alcorn and Dora Edith (Coulter) Swanser:

- c-1. Verne Anton, born March 20, 1939.

- c-2. Ward Marland, born February 2, 1940.

- c-3. James, born and died July 3, 1943.

- b-4. Margaret Carol, born March 14, 1922. Married 1939 to (1) George Robertson, divorced. (2) Roy Lee Edsall, Jr., married 1946.

Children of Margaret Carol (Swanser) and George Robertson:

- c-1. Leo Glen, born December 28, 1939.

- c-2. Margaret, born January 21, 1941.

Child of Margaret Carol (Swanser) and Roy Lee Edsall, Jr.

- c-1. Alice Joyce, born March 26, 1947.

- b-5. Mary, born and died January 18, 1930.

- a-2. Frank Nedwid, born June 8, 1891. Died February 1943. Married 1915, Nancy Hamilton.

Children of Frank Nedwid and Nancy (Hamilton) Swanser:

- b-1. Margaret Mary Christina, born December 15, 1917. Married May 15, 1939 to John Harvey Brownell.

- b-2. Frank Hamilton, born September 3, 1919. Married 1950 to Mona Dickey.

- b-3. Pauline Martha, born September 13, 1921. Married 1950 to Thomas Francis Patrick O'Leary.

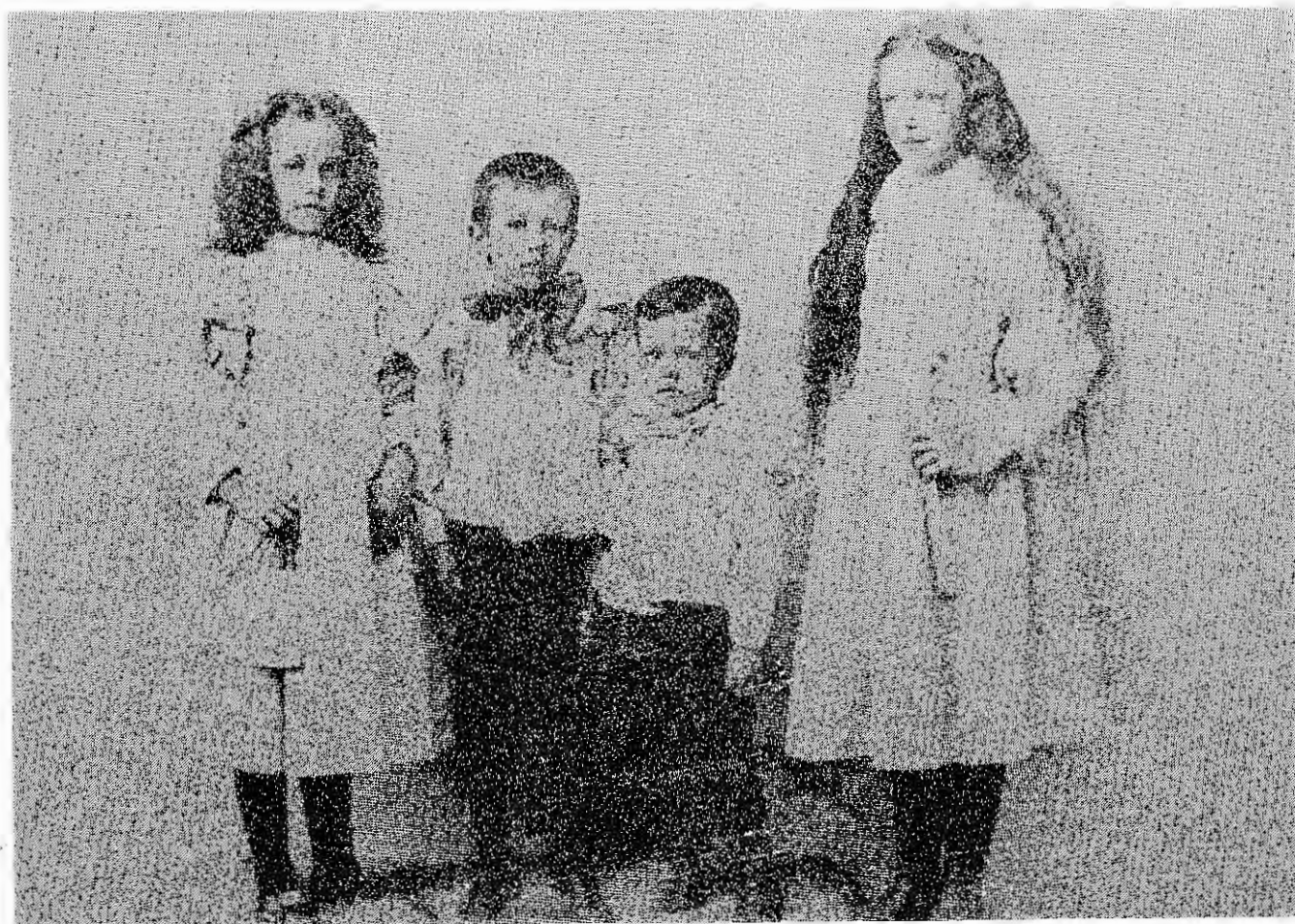
- 2. John Lewis DeMotte, born November 10, 1861, died July 23, 1896. Married March 20, 1885 to Nancy Stillwell DeMotte, born May 17, 1864. Died November 20, 1949. She was the daughter of Solomon and Mary (Cooke) Stillwell. Both John and Nancy were teachers.



John Lewis De Motte (1861 - 1896)



Mark & Eugene De Motte



Florence, Eugene, Mark L.
and Phoebe DeMotte
About 1896



Phoebe & Florence DeMotte
About 1904

Sad Death of a Very Popular Young Man.

Probably everyone in the county knows ere this that John DeMotte, the republican candidate for Sheriff, is dead. Although this is known, few have recovered from the shock caused by his sudden death. He was a strong, healthy fellow and had a bright future.

About 10 o'clock Thursday morning news was received here that Mr. DeMotte had been run over by a log-wagon and seriously injured. Dr. Link was summoned and started to Mr. DeMotte's house immediately. He arrived about one o'clock and the injured man had already been dead an hour.

The particulars are about as follows: Mr. DeMotte was hauling logs along the road that leads from Otwell to Sulphur Springs. He was driving two horses and had a fourteen foot log on the wagon; he was sitting sideways on the log, going in the direction of his father's house. He drove down a little incline in the road at the foot of which was a culvert. When the hind wheels of the wagon struck the bridge the wagon jolted throwing Mr. DeMotte, who was sitting well toward the front of the log, under the front wheels of the wagon, one of which ran over his breast, crushing it dreadfully. He started to walk to his father's house but was compelled to lie down and wait until a buggy came after him. He was removed to his father's residence and Dr. Clark, of Otwell, was summoned but saw immediately that the injury was a fatal one. The victim of the accident lingered until twelve o'clock, noon, when he died surrounded by his family and friends who gathered immediately after the accident. The funeral was preached by Rev. Cooper of the C. P. church and the interment was made at New Lebanon Cemetery. The funeral was one of the largest ever held in the county, notwithstanding the fact that comparatively few people were aware of Mr. DeMotte's death.

John DeMotte was born in the fall of 1861 and spent all his life on the farm. Through his own efforts he acquired a fair education and was for many years a most successful teacher. About fifteen years ago he married Miss Stilwell who was living with the family of Calvin Stone. Four children have been born to them all of whom are living.

Mr. DeMotte had been for several years a power in the republican party of Marion township and his reputation as a "hustler" soon spread over the county. His friends persuaded him to make the race for the republican nomination for Sheriff when his popularity stood the test of a contest with six of the best men in the party, and he received twice as many votes in the primary as the second man on the ticket. His election to the office was conceded by nearly everyone in the county.

To the aged death is a reward, because it brings its reward. Weak and helpless it is a relief; suffering; from the extreme it removes the uncertainty; full of temptation and wear from the care-worn it removes the burden and to the weary it is rest. But for John DeMotte was laden with promises of far better things than he had yet attained. His education, his knowledge of men, his affability, his courage and honesty all combined to make him a man whom his fellow citizens would fight to honor and one who would discharge every duty with fidelity to the people and with honor to himself.

Knowing him as the editor of the Press knew him, having gone to school to him, and having been associated closely with him for several months we can truthfully say that the county never produced a man—one more worthy of confidence or more faithful to his friends. It is as a personal friend that we mourn his untimely death.

Miss Phoebe A. DeMotte, of Otwell and George E. Norman, of this place, were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, last Sunday evening at 7 o'clock at the M. E. church, Otwell. Rev. W. G. Morgan officiated. Miss Florence DeMotte, sister of the bride and Samuel G. Norman, brother of the groom, were the attendants. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple with their relatives, left the church for the bride's home, where a reception was held. The happy couple will make their home at Otwell. May the Dove of Peace ever brood over their home.

There will be prayer-meeting at the M. E. church, Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

~~Couple were attended by Miss Florence DeMotte, sister of the bride, and Guy Norman, brother of the groom.~~

The bride was attired in a beautiful white silk gown of princess pattern made in modified directoire style, while her sister wore an empire gown of pink cloth with trimming of Persian braid. The groom and his brother wore the conventional black. The wedding march was played by Miss Blossom Hitt, of Vincennes. The ushers were Messrs. Fred. Steinhart, of this place, and Harlan Craig and Guy Rhodes, of Otwell.

Immediately after the ceremony the wedding party, accompanied by their relatives, repaired to the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Nannie DeMotte, three miles south of Otwell, where a bountiful supper awaited them. The favors were pink and red carnations with fancy knots of ribbon. Mr. and Mrs. Norman were the recipients of many beautiful and costly presents.

Among the house guests of the bride were the Misses Mora Caborn, of Evansville; Blossom Hitt, of Vincennes; Bertha DeMotte, of Otwell; Ira Cooper, of Jasper.

On the following Monday evening a reception was given at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Norman, of this place, to which about one hundred guests had been invited, but on account of the inclemency of the weather many were compelled to remain at home.

The young couple will make their home at Otwell, where Mrs. Norman is very popular, having been a successful teacher for a number of years. The groom is an industrious young farmer, who has many friends. We trust that their bark may glide smoothly over life's sea beneath a cloudless sky.



Mark L. De Motte
1926



Marian L. DeMotte
1926



Frank Slovak



Norma DeMotte Slovak



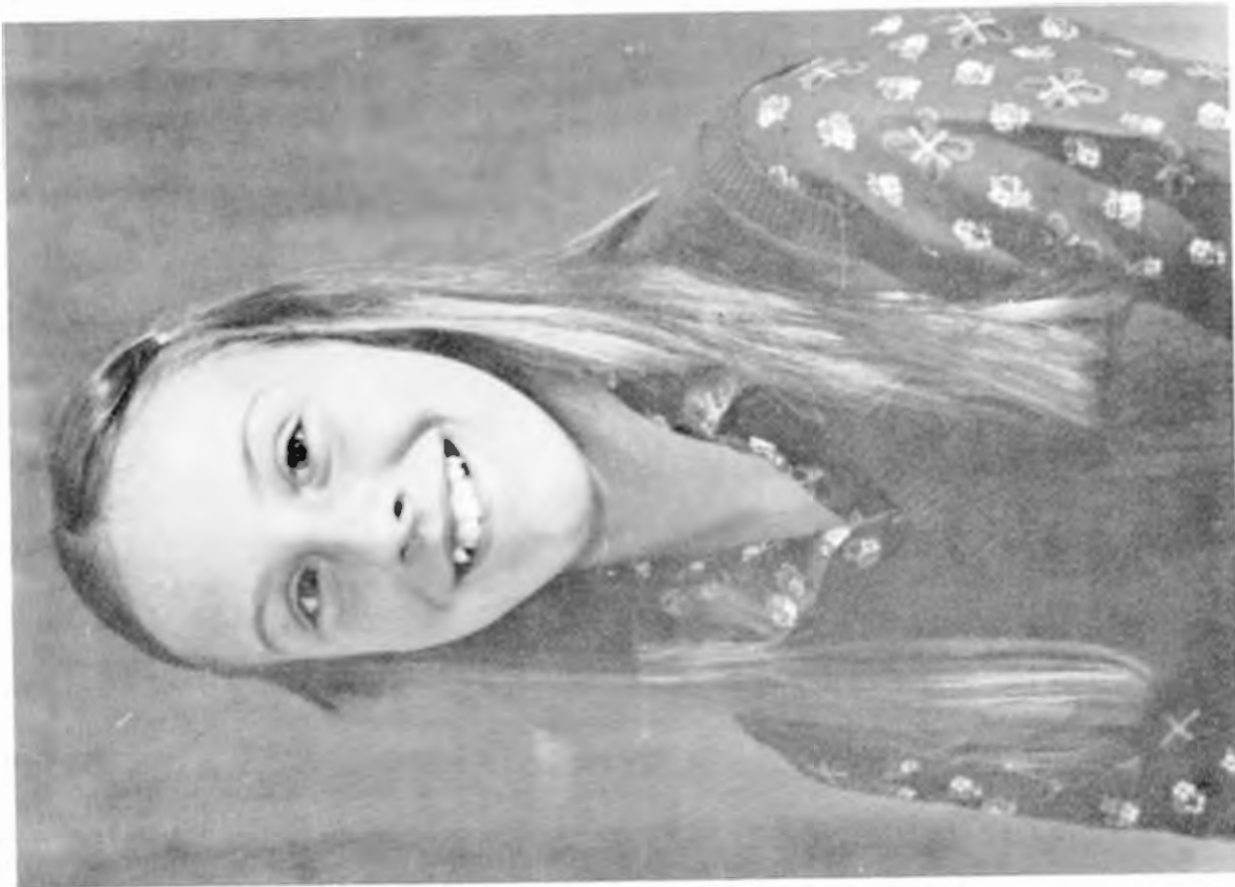
David M. DeMotte, President of Sea World, Inc.
San Diego, California - 1969



Charlotte De Motte



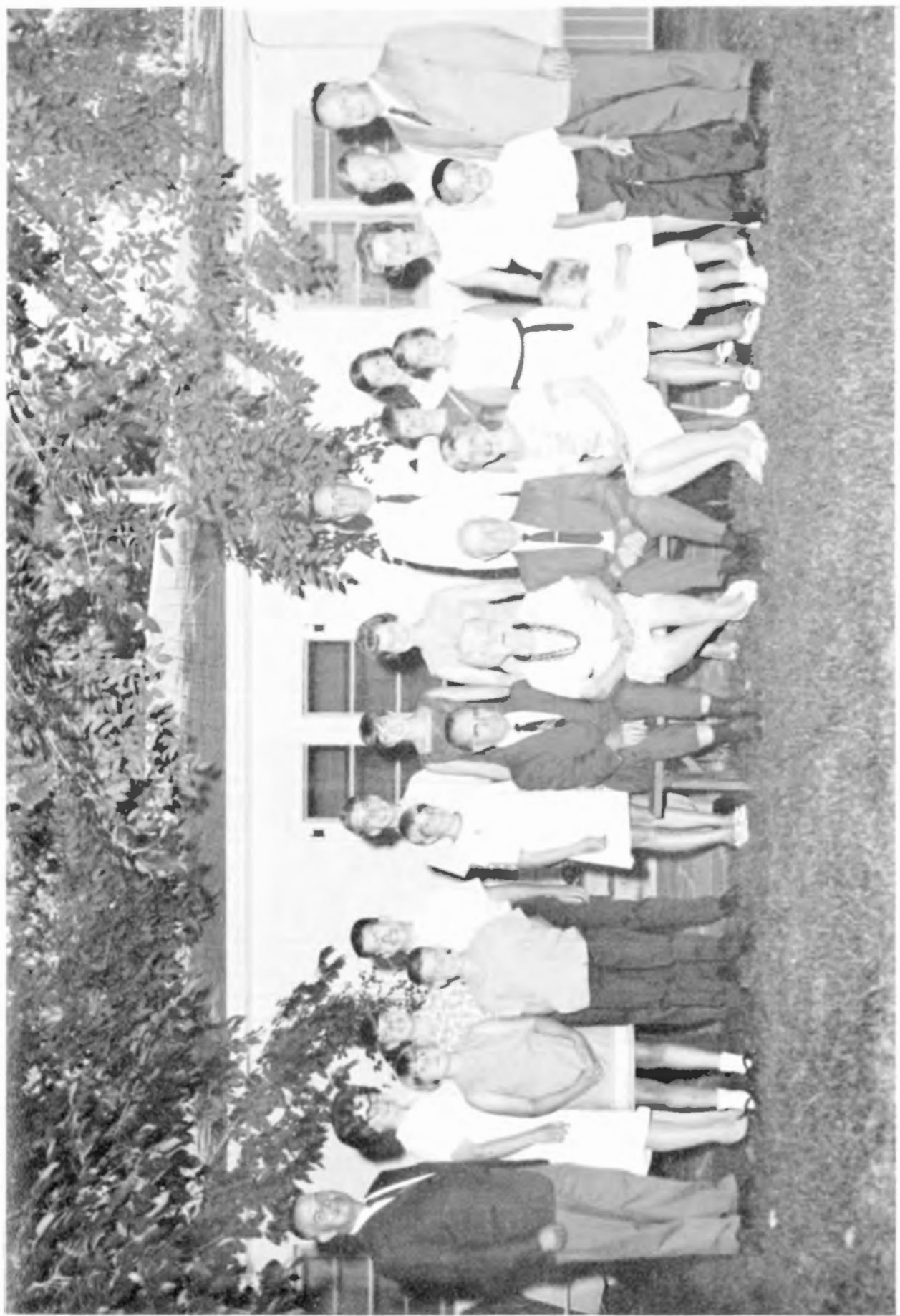
Mildred De Motte, 1942



Melissa Ann De Motte,



Michele Ruth De Motte



Ralph and Florence De Motte Waldo
And Their Family.



Morris De Motte, Claude Evans, Ethel Hargrave, Muriel Funk
Hyatt Scraper, Nobel Daniels ----May 1913 Otwell High School



Mark Lawrence DeMotte, 1918
114th Engineers Co. D. A.E.F.



Charlotte DeMotte McLaughlin
About 1890



George Milton McLaughlin
About 1890



James R. and Grace McLaughlin
1905

David (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of John Lewis and Nancy (Stillwell) DeMotte:

- a-1. Phoebe
- a-2. Florence
- a-3. Eugene Paul
- a-4. Mark Lawrence

a-1. Phoebe, born May 21, 1887. Died July 19, 1975. Married March 7, 1909 to George E. Norman, born December 5, 1885. Veterinarian. Died July 28, 1955.

Children of Phoebe (DeMotte) and George E. Norman, D.V.M.:

- b-1. Eugenie, born January 18, 1910, died February 22, 1929.
- b-2. George DeMotte, born January 4, 1914. Died August 15, 1940. Married August 1935 to Mary C. Steinkamp, born July 4, 1914. Died April 12, 1936.

a-2. Florence, born February 17, 1889. Married (1) 1912 Charles Stewart Glezen, born 1884. Died 1919. (2) Ralph E. Waldo, born 1886. Married May 20, 1922. Live in Colorado.

Children of Florence (DeMotte) and Ralph E. Waldo:

- b-1. John Hubert, born April 25, 1923. Married July 28, 1951 to Jean Harrell, born July 19, 1927 in Michigan.

Children of John Hubert and Jean (Harrell) Waldo:

- c-1. Robert Bruce, born September 15, 1952. Married Mary Good, born August 21, 1958, on July 17, 1976.
- c-2. Daniel Harrell, born September 18, 1953.
- c-3. Warren Ralph, born May 10, 1957.
- c-4. Margaret Helen, born July 11, 1959.

b-2. Helen Florence, born October 17, 1925. Married April 8, 1951 to Fred Snyder Etherton, Jr.

Children of Helen (Waldo) and Fred Etherton:

- c-1. Carol Ann, born November 19, 1953. Married John R. Baize on December 13, 1975.
- c-2. Janet, born May 16, 1955.
- c-3. Christine, born June 10, 1956.

b-3. Mary Elizabeth, born March 25, 1927. Married September 7, 1947 to Richard Harvey Meleney, born January 6, 1923. They live in California.

Children of Mary Elizabeth (Waldo) and Richard Meleney:

- c-1. David Waldo, born April 24, 1950.
- c-2. Daniel Clark, born December 18, 1958.
- c-3. Janet, born May 31, 1965.

a-3. Eugene Paul, born December 14, 1890. Died March 19, 1968. Married May 4, 1913 to Charity Yates, born March 26, 1894. Died April 15, 1951. Buried at New Lebanon, near Otwell, Ind.



Dr. James McLaughlin
About 1925



Lorene Englehardt McLaughlin
About 1925



Robert Louis and Margaret Ann McLaughlin
About 1939





Fred Hargrave



Sallie Hargrave



Ellis B. and Carrie Clark Hargrave
About 1917



Dr. James & Lorene McLaughlin



Clarence T. and Ethel Hargrave Richardson with Children,
Patricia, Ilene and James Ford, About 1938



Ellis Hargrave
About 1912



Ellis and Ethel Hargrave
About 1910

David (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of Eugene Paul and Charity (Yates) DeMotte:

- b-1. Mildred Ione, born March 8, 1914. Married April 1942 to Kenneth E. Jones of Virginia. Divorced.

A stillborn son born September 22, 1943.

- b-2. Marie Florence, born April 17, 1919. Married May 22, 1937 to Homer D. Vaughn, born January 9, 1916, died June 13, 1971.

Children of Marie Florence (DeMotte) and Homer D. Vaughn:

- c-1. Everett Eugene, born June 30, 1938. Married March 4, 1961 to Merle Hudson, born August 26, 1939.

Child of Everett Vaughn and Merle Hudson.

- d-1. Delores Geneva, born October 24, 1964.

- c-2. Homer D. Jr., born July 22, 1944. Married to Glenda Patton.

Children of Homer Vaughn Jr. and Glenda (Patton) Vaughn:

- d-1. Theodore, born October 15, 1964.
- d-2. Timothy Ryan, born January 3, 1972.

- c-3. John DeMotte, born August 27, 1956.

- a-4. Mark Lawrence, born December 16, 1892, Marion Township, Indiana, died November 11, 1963, Los Angeles, California, buried Inglewood Cemetery, Inglewood, Calif. Married in Colorado May 31, 1923 to Marian Le Valley, born October 8, 1897, School Teacher, attended College at Gunnison, Colorado.

Children of Mark Lawrence and Marian (Le Valley) DeMotte:

- b-1. Norma Ellen, born November 10, 1928. Married (1) Verner Nelson, August 23, 1952, divorced. Married (2) Frank Slovak, April 15, 1967. Graduate of U.C.L.A. School of Accounting, is Director of Financial Consolidations, Litton Industries, Beverly Hills, California. Frank Slovak, Director of New Business Consolidations, Litton Industries.
- b-2. David Mark DeMotte, born May 9, 1933. Married Charlotte Tucker, March 25, 1962. David M., graduate of U.C.L.A. School of Accounting. Helped organize Sea World Inc. at San Diego, California, is now President of the corporation.

Children of David and Charlotte (Tucker) DeMotte:

- c-1. Melissa Ann, born March 9, 1963.
- c-2. Michele Ruth, born June 8, 1966.

- 3. Charlotte, born December 26, 1862. Died 1940. Married 1895 to George Milton McLaughlin, born 1853. Died 1917.

Children of Charlotte (DeMotte) and George Milton McLaughlin:

- a-1. Grace Elizabeth, born October 29, 1896. Died January 22, 1925, buried in Otwell Cemetery in Pike County, Ind. Married Benjamin H. Osgathorpe Sr. on May 1, 1921, (born October 14, 1872 in Pike County). Died April 22, 1960. Buried in Vincent Cemetery.

David (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of Grace Elizabeth McLaughlin and Benjamin H. Osgathorpe:

- b-1. Benjamin H. Jr., born May 28, 1922, died in the crash of an Air Force B-24 training plane at Biggs AFB, Texas on July 28, 1943. Buried in Vincent Cemetery. He was married to Dorothy Evelyn Corn of Valpen, Indiana on August 1, 1942.
- b-2. Esther Grace, born December 29, 1924. Married April 24, 1946 to Eugene Richardson who was born April 26, 1916 at Madison, Illinois. He has retired from the Air Force. They live in Evansville, Ind.

Children of Esther Grace McLaughlin and Eugene Richardson:

- c-1. Janice Marie, born September 17, 1947 in Denver, Colorado; married Rodger D. Baur of Euclid, Ohio (born February 26, 1945) on April 21, 1973.
- c-2. John Carlisle, born July 17, 1950 in Cheyenne, Wyoming.
- c-3. Joseph Benjamin, born September 15, 1958, Tachikawa, Japan.
- a-2. James Ralph, M.D., born February 1, 1901. Married Lorene Englehardt (born March 16, 1900 in Evansville, Ind.) June 10, 1931.

Children of James McLaughlin and Lorene Englehardt McLaughlin:

- b-1. Margaret Ann, born May 9, 1933. Married Forrest Dean Robinson (born November 1931 in Medina, Ohio) on July 9, 1955. Both teach in the University at Macomb, Ill.

Children of Margaret McLaughlin and Forrest Robinson (all adopted):

- c-1. Benjamin Grant, born December 18, 1962.
- c-2. Kristen Lorene, born January 25, 1964.
- c-3. Rachel Lynn, born January 25, 1964.
- b-2. James David, born February 26, 1935, died April 12, 1935.
- b-3. Robert Louis, born June 25, 1936. December 26, 1964 married Mary Antonette Eisterholdt who was born October 11, 1939 in Evansville, Ind. Live in Foxcliff Estates near Martinsville, Ind. He is a senior law partner of Wooden, Stork, McLaughlin and Stearner of Indianapolis.

Children of Robert L. and Mary Antonette (Eisterholdt) McLaughlin:

- c-1. Stacey Elizabeth, born December 22, 1965.
- c-2. Michael Robert, born November 15, 1967.
- c-3. Heather Elise, born December 30, 1968.
- c-4. Ann Maureene, born April 18, 1974.

- 4. Mary Elizabeth, born January 25, 1864. Married September 21, 1895 to James F. Chappell, born February 16, 1867. Died February 2, 1920. Live in Nebraska.

Child of Mary Elizabeth (DeMotte) and James F. Chappell.

- a-1. Eunice Elizabeth, born July 18, 1899. Married May 25, 1925 to Roy Burris, born April 13, 1899.

Child of Eunice Elizabeth (Chappell) and Roy Burris.

- b-1. James Roy, born March 25, 1941. They live in Wyoming.

David (Banta) DeMotte continued

5. Sallie, born March 30, 1873. Died March 23, 1950. Married April 1, 1892 to Fred Hargrave, born December 16, 1870, died June 1967. They are buried in Memorial Park, Indianapolis, Ind.

Children of Sallie (DeMotte) and Fred Hargrave:

- a-1. Ellis Burton, born February 20, 1893, died September 12, 1969, buried in Memorial Park Cemetery, Indianapolis. Married 1917 to Carrie Clark, born October 12, 1892 at Spokane, Wash.

Children of Ellis Burton and Carrie (Clark) Hargrave:

- b-1. Robert Ellis, born April 4, 1918. Married (1) December 28, 1945 to Elizabeth Jane Himbaugh. Divorced 1962. Married (2) Kathleen Wray July 13, 1974. They live in Brea, California.

Children of Robert Ellis and Elizabeth J. Himbaugh:

- c-1. Jacqueline Himbaugh, born March 28, 1939. Married Floyd Chester 1965.

Child of Jacqueline Himbaugh and Floyd Chester:

- d-1. Jessica Chester, adopted 1966 as a 2 week old infant. Live in Westminster, California.
- c-2. James Richard Himbaugh, born July 16, 1940. Robert Ellis Hargrave adopted the two Himbaugh children. James Richard Himbaugh reverted to his natural father's name when he returned from service but continues to be on excellent terms with his adoptive father.
- c-3. Roland Ellis, born May 17, 1948. Married Sue Hawkins, September 1970.

Child of Roland Ellis and Sue Hawkins.

- d-1. Robert Ellis II, born April 14, 1972.
- b-2. Bettie Ruth, born March 6, 1921. Married April 1, 1944 to Alonzo George Freebairn.

Children of Bettie (Hargrave) and Alonzo Freebairn:

- c-1. Judith Lynn, born March 27, 1946. Works in Kansas City, Mo. Graduated from Missouri Valley College.
- c-2. Donald Scott, born January 26, 1950. Married October 25, 1975 to Deborah Tatgenhorst. Live in S. Holland, Ill. Works for Chicago Transit Co. Spent two years in Germany during Vietnam War. Upon return received scholarship in Electrical Mechanics.
- c-3. Bruce Douglas, born May 10, 1951. Married June 29, 1974 to Lynn Spiller. Live in Lansing, Ill. Works for Chrysler Corp. Spent one year in Vietnam.

Child of Bruce and Lynn Freebairn.

- d-1. Cary Ann, born January 4, 1976.

David (Banta) DeMotte continued

- b-3. Frances Ann, born August 27, 1927. Married December 15, 1946 to John William Means.

Children of Frances (Hargrave) and John Means:

- c-1. Janet Susanne, born November 11, 1948. Married to Dan Stephens 1967. They met at Ball State University. Live in Marion, Ind.

Child of Janet (Means) and Dan Stephens.

- d-1. Scott Geoffrey, born February 8, 1969.
- c-2. John Raymond, born December 16, 1950. Married to Doris Streeval May 12, 1973 and works for Firestone. He graduated from Purdue University in 1973. Doris is Supervisor for Bank Americard, Indiana National Bank, Indianapolis.
- c-3. James Robert, born January 5, 1957. Received a four year basketball scholarship from Troy State University, Troy, Alabama in 1975.
- c-4. Jennifer Jo, born June 19, 1958. Graduated from High School in 1976. She works for Sears, Roebuck at Greenwood, Indiana.
- b-4. James Richard, born March 29, 1929. Lives and works in Temple City, California.
- a-2. Laura Ethel, born January 27, 1895, died May 4, 1970. Buried in the Eagle Creek Cemetery near Jolietville, Hamilton Co. Indiana. Married June 10, 1927 to Clarence T. Richardson, born November 2, 1898.

Children of Laura Ethel (Hargrave) and Clarence Richardson:

- b-1. Patricia E., born June 4, 1929. Graduated from DePauw University. Masters degree from Northwestern University. Has served as missionary of the United Methodist Church to Argentina since 1954. Headquarters in Buenos Aries.
- b-2. James Fred, born January 23, 1935. Completed two year course in Illinois University's Institute of Aviation. Served four years in U.S. Navy as pilot Lt. JG. Now co-pilot with United Air Lines. Living at Laguna Miguel, Cal. Married Diane Buffone of Ford City, Pa. February 15, 1969.

Children of Diane (Buffone) and James Richardson:

- c-1. Cynthia Ann, born in Chicago July 23, 1973.
- c-2. Joseph James, born March 29, 1975 in Chicago.

David spent his entire married life on a farm near Otwell, Indiana. Among his chief characteristics were a deep love for his family and a driving ambition that they have the best education possible. He sent his children to college at a time when few of their locality had such advantages. All of the children were teachers.

- VII. Albert Banta DeMotte, son of Lawrence and Phoebe (Banta) DeMotte, born March 28, 1834, Pike County, Indiana. Died April 16, 1902. Married October 23, 1857 to Elizabeth Anderson, born July 13, 1836. Died June 11, 1916. Both buried in New Lebanon Cemetery, Marion Twp., Pike County, Indiana.

Children of Albert and Elizabeth (Anderson) DeMotte:

1. Sarah Ellen, born September 5, 1858. Died July 31, 1941. Married December 29, 1901, Zeno Hobbs, born March 24, 1858. Died January 18, 1922.
2. Clara Temperance, born November 1, 1860. Died July 17, 1895. Married March 3, 1885, Sylvanus Richard Clark, M.D., born February 25, 1864. Died October 5, 1929. He served in World War I. Rank of Captain.

Children of Clara (DeMotte) and Sylvanus Richard Clark:

- a-1. Myrtle, born December 17, 1885 at Otwell, Indiana. Married (1) November 8, 1920 to Ernest Brown, born December 2, 1875. Died December 13, 1950, in Lewistown, Montana.
(2) Homer Strunk who died in 1966. She died October 8, 1965.
- a-2. Helen Edith, born January 2, 1888, Married June 30, 1906 to George Courtney McClellan, born July 1887. Died August 11, 1942.

Child of Helen Edith (Clark) and George Courtney McClellan.

- b-1. Kathryn Mary, born May 28, 1912. Married September 8, 1934 Manley Paul Carter, born March 13, 1909.

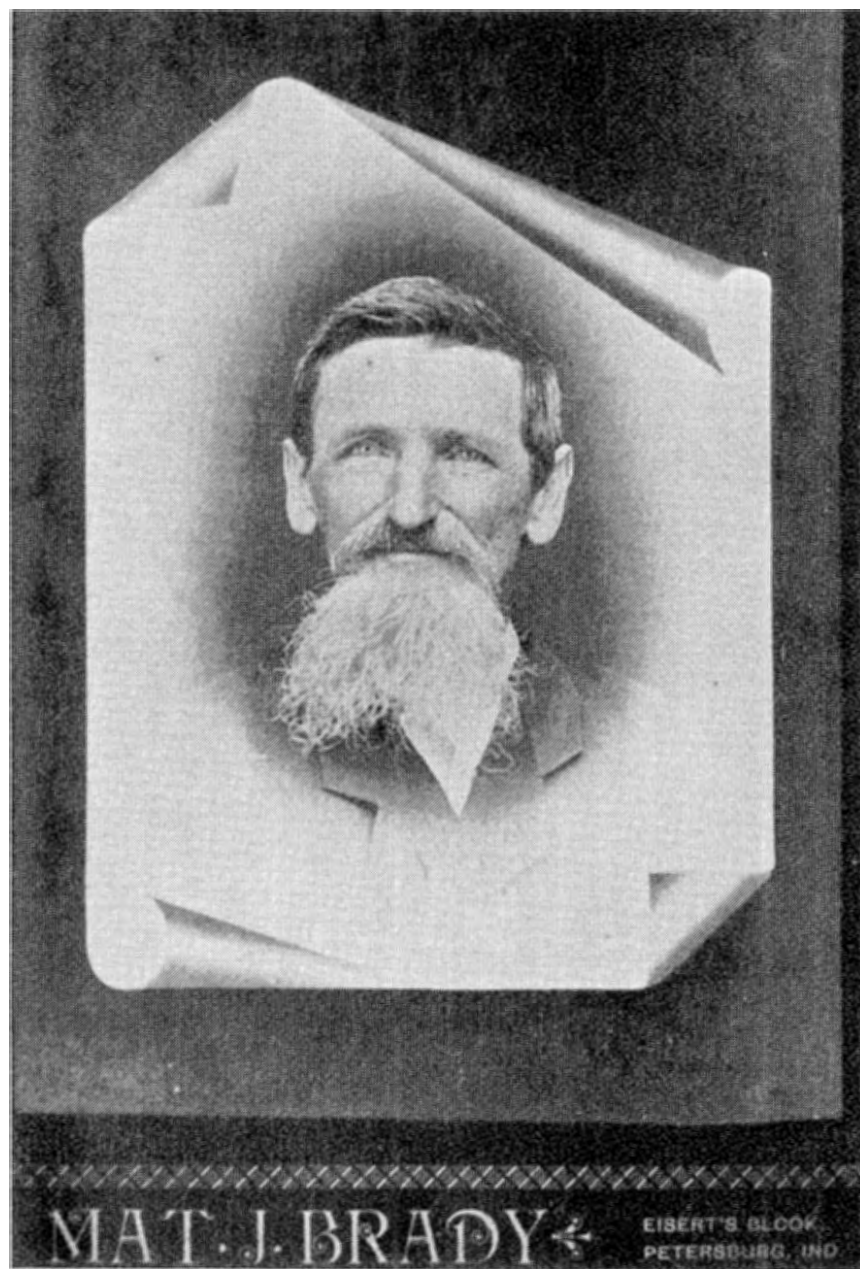
Children of Kathryn Mary (McClellan) and Manley Paul Carter:

- c-1. Sue Ann, born October 5, 1938.
- c-2. Manley McClellan, born August 21, 1942.
- a-3. Ralph Melton, born September 7, 1890. Died August 24, 1891.
- a-4. Hugh, born October 14, 1892. Died April 27, 1897.
- a-5. Infant born and died July 17, 1895. Clara T. (DeMotte) Clark and her sons are buried in New Lebanon Cemetery, Pike County, Indiana.

3. Elvis, born May 20, 1866. Died December 11, 1952. Married April 15, 1894 to Caroline Coleman, born January 29, 1874. Died April 26, 1945. She was the daughter of Henry and Ruth (McChristy) Coleman. Elvis and Caroline are buried in Odd Fellows Cemetery near Otwell, Indiana.

Children of Elvis and Caroline (Coleman) DeMotte:

- a-1. Morris, born 1895.
- a-2. Ruth, born 1896
- a-3. Infant born March 7, 1898, died March 9, 1898.
- a-4. Elizabeth, born August 30, 1899.
- a-5. Howard, born 1901.



Albert Banta De Motte 1834-1902



Elizabeth Anderson De Motte 1836-1916

Prominent Pike Citizen Dead.

Al. DeMotte, a prominent citizen of Pike county, died at his home west of Ireland Wednesday. He was about 67 years of age, and was wellknown in Dubois county.

ELIZABETH DEMOTT

Mrs. Elizabeth DeMott, aged 80 years, widow of Albert Demott died Sunday evening at six o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Zeno Hobbs of near Ireland. The funeral was held at the family residence Tuesday; burial at the Mt. Lebanon cemetery. She is survived by three sons, Sebastian and Elvis Demott of near Otwell, and Dr. Jerome DeMott, of Odon, and one daughter, Mrs. Zeno Hobbs.

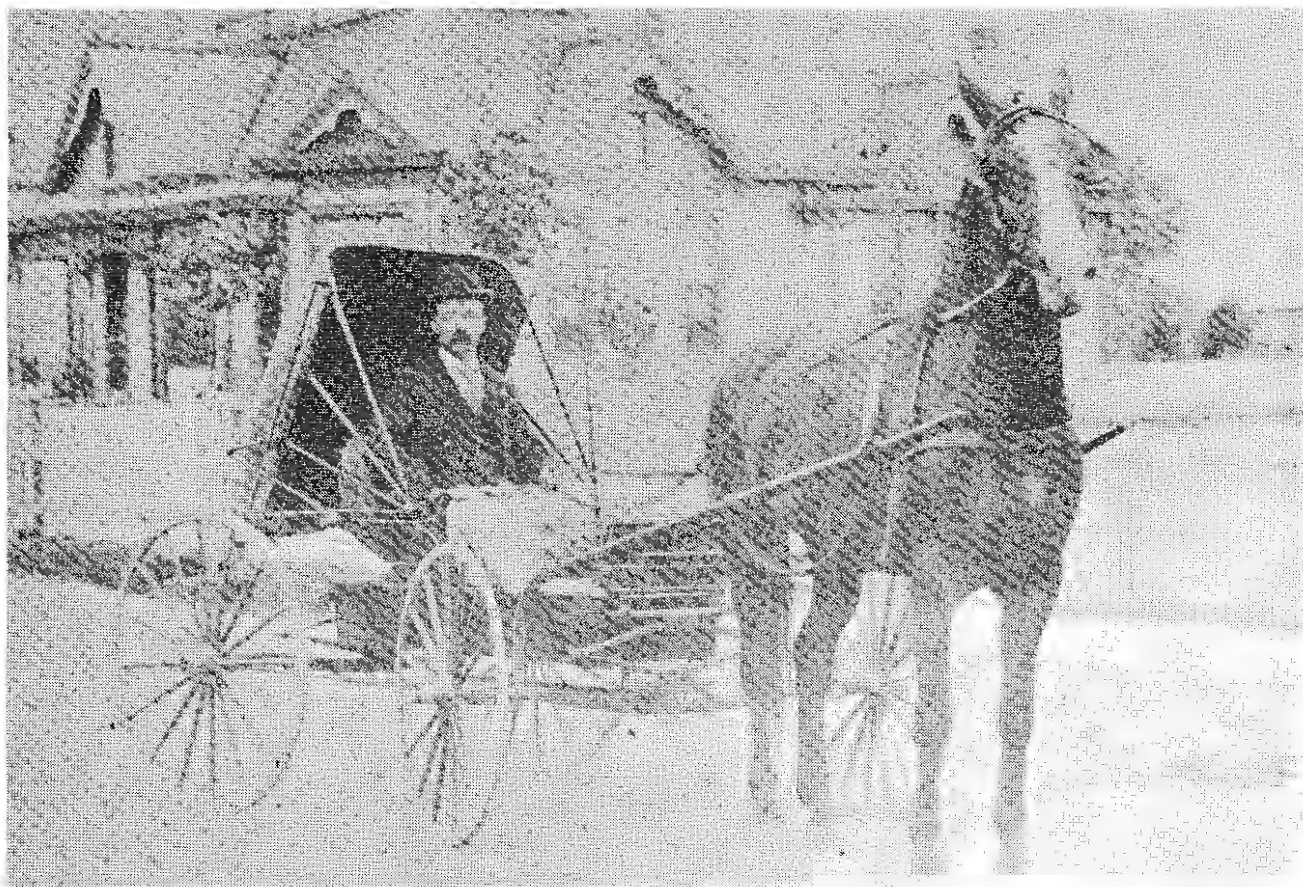
After a long and patient illness of four months, Mrs. Elizabeth DeMotte passed to her eternal reward Sunday evening, June 11, 1916, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Zeno Hobbs, near this place, where she had made her home for several years. She was the wife of Albert DeMotte (deceased) and they were the parents of five children—Mrs. Ella Hobbs, Elvis and Sebastian DeMotte, who reside near Otwell, and Dr. Jerome DeMotte, of Odon, Ind., and Mrs. Clara Clark (deceased) who was the wife of Dr. Clark of Petersburg.

Deceased was the daughter of William and Jane Anderson, and was born on a farm southwest of Ireland, where she spent her girlhood days. She was converted at a meeting at Old Shiloh and united with the Cumberland Presbyterian church, and in which faith she lived and died. She was a consistent christian, as was proved to everyone who knew her. She was a true and loving wife and a kind and affectionate mother.

Aunt Elizabeth, as she was so familiarly called by all who knew her, was a very patient sufferer, never complaining, but always cheerful, always saying: "It won't be long, and there will be no more suffering," and would speak of joining her loved ones gone before, and constantly prayed for those around her. At the time of her death she was 79 years, 10 months and 28 days of age. She lived a clean spotless life, and to know her was to love her, and although she is gone from us her influence will continue to live.

The large number in attendance at her funeral and the many beautiful floral tributes were proofs of the esteem in which she was held. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Hobbs, and was in charge of Rev. H. M. Pattison, of Otwell, after which the remains were laid to rest in the New Lebanon cemetery. Besides her children she leaves fifteen grandchildren, two great grandchildren, one brother (Alexander Anderson) who is now 86 years of age, and a host of friends.

MAB.



Dr. Jerome De Motte 1869-1945, taken at Odon, Indiana, about 1903.



Elvis & Caroline De Motte



Elvis De Motte Family
 Ruth, Edna, Mary, Elizabeth and Henry Rear: Lee Roy, Morris, Howard, Albert, Elvis,

Albert (Banta) DeMotte continued

- a-6. Albert, born 1903.
- a-7. Henry, born 1905.
- a-8. Edna, born 1907.
- a-9. Elmer, born 1910.
- a-10. Lee Roy, born 1912.
- a-11. Mary Hazel, born 1914.

- a-1. Morris, born March 18, 1895. Married December 8, 1936 to Vernice Snodgrass, born April 3, 1910. Divorced 1947. Morris veteran of World War I - retired rural mail carrier from Emington, Ill. post office.

Children of Morris and Vernice (Snodgrass) DeMotte:

- b-1. David Lawrence, born October 29, 1937. Married Arlene Zimmerman, June 14, 1958. David is an accountant and lives in Chicago.

Child of David Lawrence and Arlene (Zimmerman) DeMotte.

- c-1. Andrew Morris DeMotte, born December 15, 1968 in Chicago.
- b-2. Janet Marilyn, born September 23, 1939. Married (1) Edward Fraher, divorced. (2) Robert Stokes August 1970. He died June 8, 1976.

Children of Janet (DeMotte) and Edward Fraher:

- c-1. Debra Lynn, born June 24, 1957. Married Gary Vanderwaif March 20, 1976.
- c-2. Larry Allan, born February 25, 1960 in Crete, Ill.
- a-2. Ruth, born July 13, 1896. Married December 19, 1915 to Earl Howard, born July 15, 1896, died September 7, 1944. Buried near Herscher, Ill.

Children of Ruth (DeMotte) and Earl Howard:

- b-1. Marion DeMotte Howard, born May 22, 1916. Died March 11, 1924.
- b-2. Garold Glen Howard, born May 28, 1918. Married June 3, 1939 to Eunice May Lawler, born February 3, 1915. Live in Emington, Ill.

Children of Garold Glen and Eunice (Lawler) Howard:

- c-1. Jacqueline Ann, born February 9, 1941. Married (1) Carl S. Voechting September 23, 1961. Divorced. Married (2) Marvin Bruemaster August 1973.

Child of Jacqueline (Howard) and Carl S. Voechting.

- d-1. De Ette Voechting, born June 30, 1962 at Emington, Ill.
- b-3. Leslie Earl, born February 9, 1924. Married (1) on July 26, 1948 to Doretta Mae Helle, born August 24, 1929. Divorced. Married (2) Frances Porth. Leslie was a veteran of World War II. Died October 19, 1971. Buried Pontiac, Ill.

Albert (Banta) DeMotte continued

Adopted children of Leslie and Francis (Porth)Howard:

c-1. Kenneth, married April 28, 1973 to Jane Ann Doran.

Child of Kenneth and Jane (Doran) Howard.

d-1. Elizabeth Ann Howard, born July 19, 1975.

c-2. Karen Louise Howard, married November 20, 1971 to David Amos Sandeno.

Child of Karen (Howard) and David Sandeno.

d-1. Chad David, born July 4, 1975.

b-4. Donald Lee, born December 18, 1924. Married (1) June 24, 1948 to Dorothy Leah Webber. Divorced. Married (2) Rose Marie Zappa. Donald was a World War II veteran.

Child of Donald Lee and Dorothy (Webber) Howard.

c-1. Donald Lee, Jr., born April 26, 1949 - veteran of Vietnam War and is making his career in the Air Force.

Donald Lee Howard Jr.'s children:

d-1. Donald Lee III, born May 14, 1972.

d-2. Charles, born 1976.

Children of Donald Lee and Rose (Zappa) Howard:

c-1. Jesse Howard, born February 16, 1953. Married Debbie Malone.

Children of Jessie and Debbie (Malone) Howard:

d-1. Jesse Anthony, born June 16, 1973.

d-2. Jared William, born November 10, 1976.

c-2. Mark Anthony, born February 4, 1964.

a-4. Elizabeth, born August 20, 1899. Married June 25, 1919 to Claude Chambers, born September 19, 1900, Velpen, Ind. Claude is a retired school teacher and lives at Bloomfield, Indiana.

Child of Elizabeth (DeMotte) and Claude Chambers.

b-1. Charles Marion, born August 30, 1922. Married November 23, 1941 to Adriene Karen Hannum, born November 23, 1922. Live at Carmel, Indiana.

Children of Charles and Adrien (Hannum) Chambers:

c-1. Gary Michael, born July 14, 1944. Married Pamela Corn 1967. He graduated from West Point Academy receiving his commission in the Army. He is a veteran of the Vietnam War. Left the military service in 1973 and is now an engineer in Indianapolis.

Albert (Banta) DeMotte continued

Children of Gary and Pamela (Corn) Chambers:

d-1. Jennifer Karen, born October 17, 1969.

d-2. Sara Lorraine, born November 10, 1971.

c-2. Beth Ann, born February 23, 1955. Married Jeff Graves on April 6, 1974.

Child of Beth Ann (Chambers) and Jeff Graves.

d-1. Andrew Allen, born September 4, 1975.

c-3. Sherri Lynn, born July 24, 1962.

a-5. Howard, born April 28, 1901, died June 22, 1965. Buried at Walnut Hill Cemetery, Petersburg, Ind. Married September 28, 1920 to Ruth Bradfield, born August 31, 1902.

Children of Howard and Ruth (Bradfield) DeMotte:

b-1. Cleo Marie, born May 28, 1921. Married December 29, 1940 to Francis Earl Gaul, born June 18, 1920. He served in World War II. They live in Evansville, Ind.

Children of Cleo Marie (DeMotte) and Francis Gaul:

c-1. Carolyn Sue, born March 19, 1943. Married Francis Nolte October 20, 1962.

Children of Carolyn (Gaul) and Francis Nolte:

d-1. David Allen, born May 28, 1965 and died November 30, 1974. Buried in Evansville. Died in Marietta, Georgia.

d-2. Darin, born 1969.

b-2. Delores Jean, born October 6, 1922. Married July 9, 1946 to Charles Cutteridge, born November 18, 1920. Live in Evansville, Ind.

Children of Delores (DeMotte) and Charles Cutteridge:

c-1. Ruth Ann, born April 8, 1947. Employed in Evansville.

c-2. Charles Allen, born October 23, 1953. Married Kathy Lear February 14, 1974.

Child of Charles and Kathy (Lear) Cutteridge:

d-1. Krista Sharun, born January 21, 1976 in Evansville, Ind.

b-3. Roy Howard D.V.M. born October 8, 1924. Married July 9, 1945 to Arlina Lee Bailey, born January 28, 1926. He served in World War II. Lives in Odon, Ind.

Children of Roy and Arlina (Bailey) DeMotte:

c-1. Stephen Howard, born August 7, 1948. Married Jill Johnson June 26, 1976. Stephen is a graduate of Indiana University and is an accountant. Live in Indianapolis.

Albert (Banta) DeMotte continued

- c-2. Phillip Lee, born March 3, 1952. Married Carol Coggeshall March 2, 1974. They are both graduates of Indiana University. He is a teacher.
- b-4. Marion Carroll, born July 21, 1928. Married March 19, 1949 to Joyce Evelyn Goodwin, born June 14, 1930.

Children of Marion and Joyce (Goodwin) DeMotte:

- c-1. Ronnie Carroll, born April 13, 1951. Attended Purdue University. Is in real estate business.
- c-2. Gary Allen, born November 28, 1952. Married Mary Williams 1972.

Child of Gary and Mary (Williams) DeMotte.

- d-1. Amy Jo, born December 9, 1972.
- b-5. William, infant son of Howard and Ruth DeMotte, born and died 1933.
- a-6. Albert, born January 28, 1903. Died February 22, 1951. Married February 25, 1922 to Jessie Postlewait, born December 8, 1904, died July 16, 1972. They are buried at Otwell, Ind.

Children of Albert and Jessie (Postlewait) DeMotte:

- b-1. Albert O'Neal, born and died April 1924. Buried at Velpen, Ind.
- b-2. Oliver Dale, born June 17, 1925. Married July 14, 1946 to Dorothy Louise Potts, born April 14, 1926. He was in World War II. Live in Champaign, Ill.

Children of Oliver Dale and Dorothy Louise (Potts) DeMotte:

- c-1. Anita Kay, born November 9, 1948. Married Lloyd Robert Pletsch, September 14, 1968.
- c-2. Linda Lee, born June 8, 1952, died May 11, 1969. Buried at Champaign, Ill.
- a-7. Henry, born January 11, 1905. Married August 15, 1929 to Ona May Hunley, born March 15, 1908. Divorced. Lives at Odon, Ind.

Children of Henry and Ona (Hunley) DeMotte:

- b-1. Dorothy Mae, born February 27, 1930.
- b-2. Ralph, born May 1, 1932, married Marcile Howard May 15, 1954.

Adopted children of Ralph and Marcile (Howard) DeMotte:

- c-1. Teresa Marcile, born May 2, 1967.
- c-2. Lisa Ann, born May 27, 1970.
- b-3. Betty, born February 5, 1936. Married William Conrad May 31, 1958. Live in Evansville, Ind.

Children of Betty (DeMotte) and William Conrad:

- c-1. Rebecca
- c-2. James

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- a-8. Edna, born July 14, 1907. Married June 12, 1926. to Cleo Frederic Caldemeyer, born September 16, 1904, died February 2, 1965. Buried at Lakeview Gardens, E. St. Louis, Ill.
- a-9. Elmer, born April 19, 1910. Married January 30, 1932, Naomi Harrison, born October 20, 1910, died February 17, 1974, buried at Otwell, Ind.

Children of Elmer and Naomi (Harrison) DeMotte:

- b-1. Robert Lee, born August 9, 1934. Married Lois Masters May 19, 1963.

Children of Robert Lee and Lois (Masters) DeMotte:

- c-1. Pamela Sue, born October 10, 1964.
- c-2. Debra Elaine, born February 23, 1967.
- b-2. Donna Jean, born February 27, 1949. Married Lynn H. Traylor, born April 1, 1949 on October 21, 1967.

Children of Donna Jean (DeMotte) and Lynn H. Traylor:

- c-1. Christina Lynn, born January 12, 1969.
- c-2. Theresa Ann, born February 6, 1971.

- a-10. Lee Roy, born March 11, 1912. Married December 7, 1940 to Helen Violet Walters, born March 15, 1919.

Children of Lee Roy and Helen Violet (Walters) DeMotte:

- b-1. Janice Lee, born February 27, 1942. Married Robert Donald Smith, November 17, 1962. He was born April 12, 1935. She is a graduate of Otwell High School and Lockyear's Business College and is a secretary. Robert, a Reitz High School graduate, served two years in the Army during the Vietnam War. They live in Evansville, Ind.

Children of Janice Lee (DeMotte) and Robert Donald Smith:

- c-1. Sandra Kay, born March 7, 1964.
- c-2. Kevin Lee, born July 12, 1965.
- b-2. Mary Ann, born April 26, 1944. Married April 17, 1976 to Richard Allen Gayle, born April 5, 1945. She has a BS and MS degree in Business Education. Taught a few years. Later took a secretarial position in Indianapolis. Richard is a graduate of Indiana University school of business, served four years in the Air Force. Live in Scottsdale, Arizona.
- b-3. Sharon Rae, born October 29, 1946. Married January 21, 1967 Jesse Raymond Smith, born June 24, 1944. She is a graduate of Lockyear's Business College and a secretary. He is a graduate of Reitz High School, served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and is in the Reserves. They live in Evansville.

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Children of Sharon Rae (DeMotte) and Jesse Raymond Smith:

- c-1. Ronald Wayne, born June 15, 1968.
- c-2. Jeffery Alan, born May 25, 1971.
- c-3. Carol Ann, born March 31, 1974.

- b-4. James Roger, born April 3, 1951. Married Brenda Diane Schneider (born June 24, 1950) on August 29, 1970. Graduate in accounting from Indiana State University with cum laude honors. In August 1973, completed requirements as a CPA and expects to graduate from law school in 1978. Brenda received BS degree in Special Education at Indiana State University with Magna Cum Laude honors and became a teacher. Live in Bloomington, Ind.

Children of James Roger and Diana (Schneider) DeMotte:

- c-1. Michael James, born May 16, 1973.
- c-2. Jonathan Ray, born February 22, 1975.
- c-3. Timothy Lee, born July 25, 1976.

- a-11. Mary Hazel, born February 6, 1914. Married March 20, 1937 to William F. Risley, born November 24, 1913.

Children of Mary (DeMotte) and William F. Risley:

- b-1. Dannie Joe, born November 10, 1937. Married September 6, 1958 to Linda Lou Miles, born February 17, 1938. He is a graduate of Purdue University with a BS degree in Agriculture. Upon graduation in 1959, he was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Transportation Corps and entered active duty January 1960. He is a veteran of the Vietnam War and holds three awards of the Bronze Star Medal. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in Germany where he is serving with the Army's 4th Transp. Brigade.

Children of Dannie Joe and Linda (Miles) Risley:

- c-1. Dana Renee, born November 4, 1961 at Lawton, Oklahoma.
- c-2. Melissa Jo, born September 15, 1964 at Nancy, France.

- b-2. Ruth Ann, born December 2, 1940. Married November 25, 1961 to Jerry Wayne Pride, born November 21, 1940. Ruth Ann is a Registered Nurse having graduated from Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in 1961. They live at Wheatland, Ind.

Children of Ruth Ann (Risley) and Jerry Wayne Pride:

- c-1. Sherry Ann, born June 10, 1962.
- c-2. David Jeffrey, born May 30, 1964.
- c-3. Stephen Scott, born June 16, 1967.
- c-4. Amy Lynn, born December 12, 1970.

- b-3. John Richard, born February 4, 1942. Married Suzanne Carol Cutshall, born April 2, 1944. John is a Purdue University graduate receiving a BS degree in Agricultural Engineering. He is a certified engineer at Ft. Wayne.

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Children of John Richard and Suzanna Carol (Cutshall) Risley:

c-1. Brian Scott, born December 22, 1972.

c-2. Sara Ann, born April 9, 1974.

b-4. Martha Lou, born December 25, 1943. She is a school teacher. Graduated from Indiana State University with a BS and MS degree in Elementary School Education. Lives at Paoli, Indiana.

b-5. Mary Katherine, born December 24, 1946. Married January 12, 1964 to Gary H. Williams, born October 1, 1945. Live at Monroe City, Indiana.

Children of Mary Katherine (Risley) and Gary H. Williams:

c-1. Roger Allen, born June 5, 1964, died June 6, 1964.

c-2. Chester Lee, born January 29, 1966.

c-3. Richard Alan, born August 8, 1969.

c-4. Gary Gene, born November 24, 1970.

4. Jerome, M.D., born January 29, 1869. Died November 5, 1945. Married October 10, 1899. (1) Olive Vest, born September 10, 1871. Died January 3, 1941. (2) Ethel Baker, married March 2, 1944.

Children of Jerome and Olive (Vest) DeMotte:

a-1. Russell, M.D., born October 21, 1900, died January 14, 1955. Buried at Odon, Ind. Married July 23, 1923 to LaVerne Rammage, born August 20, 1902. Died December 1973. Cremated. Russell in World War II, Commander.

a-2. Pauline, born October 13, 1904. Died August 24, 1968. Married John W. Smith, born , died 1973.

Children of Pauline and John W. Smith:

5 daughters and 1 son

a-3. Calvin Jerome, born November 13, 1909. Married August 14, 1940 to Sarah Macel Byrer, born February 26, 1919.

Child of Calvin and Macel (Byrer) DeMotte.

b-1. Richard, born and died February 11, 1944.

6. Sebastian, born January 9, 1872. Died April 29, 1933. Married March 8, 1908, Bertha Armstrong, born March 8, 1874. Sebastian lived on the old place settled by his grandfather Lawrence. Bertha DeMotte died May 18, 1962 and is buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Albert was born and died on the original DeMotte homestead. During his declining years, Lawrence was very ill and it was agreed that Albert was to have his property in return for caring for his father. Like his brothers, Albert was sober, industrious, a highly respected citizen who was always a force for good in church and community life.

DeBruler - DeMotte - Hargrave
Family Reunion
Sunday June 19, 1966
East Side Park, Washington, Indiana

One more year has passed by and we are rapidly approaching the time for our 1966 family reunion. Since many of our ancestors came to Indiana while it was yet a Territory, and since all the others arrived soon after Indiana was admitted to the Union, it seems most fitting for us to participate in Indiana's Sesquicentennial Celebration. Let's have at least one-hundred fifty present this year.

A basket dinner will be served at 12:00 noon, in the Shelter House. All Park facilities will be available to those attending this reunion. Last year we were pleased to have an unusually large number of children, all of whom enjoyed the Park and its play-ground equipment. - May the number increase this year. -

Soon after our 1965 reunion, Mrs. Hargrave and I took our grandson, Ronald E. Hargrave, to Fort Lee Virginia, where we spent ten days with Ronald's sister and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Boles and daughter Jessica.

While in Virginia, we visited the towns of Surry and Sussex as well as the Blackwater Swamp region where the Hargrave family lived in the late 1790's. We now feel that we know our family back-ground better than we have in the past. We also found that there are many distant Hargrave cousins living in that part of Virginia.

We hope you enjoy the brief sketch of our three families which is being enclosed. We'll be seeing ALL OF YOU on June 19th. If that is not possible, please send a letter.

Sincerely,

Dr. James R. McLaughlin, Pres.
511 East Main Street,
Flora, Indiana

Ellis B. Hargrave, Secy.
6063 Lowell Avenue,
Indianapolis, Indiana 46219



HARGRAVE - DeBRULER - DeMOTTE

Hargrave is an English place-name as old as 200 A.D. It was first recorded as a surname in the Domesday Book (1084) showing that an Oswald Hargrave occupied land in Yorkshire England. The names John and Richard were brought in by the Normans in the 1200's. The first Coat of Arms was granted in 1585 to Walter Hargrave.

Richard Hargrave, born in 1614, who emigrated to lower Norfolk, Virginia in 1634, was the progenitor of the (Indiana branch) of the family. The Rev. William Hargrave, (a 6th generation member of the family in America), was born in 1771 in Sussex County Va. There he married Sarah Ellis, December 1, 1791. In 1803, he moved to Caswell Co. N. C., and in 1818, he moved to Pike Co. Indiana, with his entire family including his two sons-in-law, Charles and Wesley DeBruler. His daughter Elizabeth, had married Charles DeBruler Feb. 2, 1816; and his daughter Lucy had married Wesley DeBruler Nov. 12, the same year. These were the first intermarriages within these two families.

The DeBrulers were French Huguenots and were among the earliest Huguenot settlers in what is now Hartford Co. Maryland. Micajah Greenfield DeBruler, the father of Charles and Wesley, was born Dec. 12, 1754 at the family seat "God's Providence", in Maryland.

The friendship between the DeBruler and Hargrave families had an early beginning. Micajah Greenfield DeBruler was a Methodist Circuit Rider, ordained in 1780. The early Methodist conferences were held in the Ellis Meeting House, in Sussex Virginia, built by Rev. William Ellis, the father of Sarah Ellis Hargrave. Micajah Greenfield DeBruler was a frequent visitor in the home of Rev. Ellis. In 1790 he was assigned to the Hillsborough Church in Orange Co. N. C. It was near this church where the Rev. William Hargrave and his family located when they moved to N. C. in 1803.

DeMotte, a French family, originated in the Province of Brittany. The name signifies, the people of the Castle-de (of or from), and motte, the hill or mound on which the castle was built. As the family expanded castles named after the family seat, were built in other parts of France.

A Sieur DeMotte accompanied William the Conqueror in the invasion of England (1066). The first Coat of Arms was granted in 1490 to Henri DeMotte of Rohan in Brittany. The forebearers of the Indiana branch of the family were Huguenots - they became followers of Calvin. A Jacques DeMotte was burned at the stake in 1668, at Pontivy in Brittany, for refusing to denounce his religious faith. Henri and Jacques appear frequently among the DeMotte names in America.

Michael DeMotte, the progenitor of this family, fled from religious persecution in France to Holland and thence to New Amsterdam. He married Anna, the daughter of Anthony Westbrook, the court messenger at Fort Orange. Records show that Michael DeMotte was in Kingston N. Y. as early as 1665. His children were all born in Ulster county New York.

Lawrence DeMotte, the father of John, William, David and Albert, was born in Mercer county Ky., September 3, 1794. He came to Pike Co., Indiana, in 1815 with the William Anderson family. In 1817 he entered land in what is now Marion Township, Pike county, Indiana. He returned to Kentucky, in 1819, where he married Pheobe Banta, a daughter of Jacob and Mary Banta who were distant cousins. (Jacob Banta was a descendant of the emigrant Epke Banta's third son Hendrick, and his wife Mary Banta was a descendant of Epke Banta's youngest son Weart.)

Pheobe (Banta) DeMotte, was the grand-mother of Dr. James R. McLaughlin's mother, Charlotte (DeMotte) McLaughlin, and her sister Mary (Banta) Anderson, was the grand-mother of Milton McLaughlin, the father of Dr. McLaughlin.

Other intermarriages -- DeBruler - DeMotte - Hargrave --

Susannah W. DeBruler, daughter of Greenfield DeBruler and granddaughter of Micajah DeBruler, who came to Indiana in 1829, married Lemuel B. Hargrave, a son of Rev. William and Sarah (Ellis) Hargrave in 1832.

Susannah T. DeBruler a daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Hargrave) DeBruler, married John DeMotte, a son of Lawrence and Pheobe (Banta) DeMotte, October 3, 1844.

Eliza DeBruler a sister of Susannah T. DeBruler, married William DeMotte, a son of Lawrence and Pheobe (Banta) DeMotte, April 13, 1848.

Flavius A. Hargrave, a son of Lemuel B. and Susannah W. (DeBruler) Hargrave, married Mary DeBruler, a daughter of William Hix and Nancy (Alexander) DeBruler, Feb. 8, 1874. This Mary DeBruler was also the granddaughter of Greenfield and Sarah (Wilson) DeBruler.

Sallie DeMotte, a daughter of David and Sarah (Green) DeMotte, married Fred Hargrave, a son of John P. and Lavina (Brenton) Hargrave, April 7, 1892.

This statement was prepared by Mrs. Estella (DeMotte) Craig of Otwell, Indiana, in June of 1965.



Left to right: Dr. Wm. Holman, Dr. Lee M., Bess, Mrs. Wm. Holman, Estella, Dr. Wm. Milton, Mrs. Wm. Milton and Garnet De Motte, Indianapolis, Indiana, November, 1907.

The DeMotte Family Reunion.

Last week we thought we had arranged for a write-up of the DeMott family re-union which took place on Monday of last week, but in some way the article intended for us failed to arrive. We clip the following from the *Evanville Courier* of last Thursday:

William DeMotte, of Indianapolis, aged 75 years, one of the surviving eye witnesses of the assassination of President Lincoln, and his brother, Colonel Marcus L. DeMotte, of Valparaiso, Indiana, who for more than twenty years has been dean of the Northern Indiana Law School, were the guests of honor at a reunion of the DeMotte family yesterday. The reunion was held at the home of Sebastian DeMotte and his mother, situated on the farm settled by Lawrence DeMotte, who came here from Mercer county, Kentucky, nearly eighty-three years ago.

Eighty-three guests partook of the bountiful dinner spread under the grand old trees. Poplar rails, split more than seventy-five years ago, were brought from the rail fence and sawed and split into souvenirs of the occasion. A walking cane was cut from one of the rails for William DeMotte at his request.

The men are as active and as full of life and vigor as the average man of 40. William DeMotte has spent nearly half a century in the deaf and dumb institutions of our state, and there are but few mutes in the state who do not know him personally.

The two brothers, assisted by Misses Florence and Phoebe DeMotte, rendered an excellent literary and elocutionary program. At the conclusion of the program Representative Horace M. Kegan was called upon for a few remarks, which he concluded with a presentation speech, presenting to William

DeMotte, as the oldest living member of the DeMotte family, a beautiful gold watch and chain, purchased by the DeMottes present, and presented as a token of the high esteem in which they held him, and also to indicate their appreciation of his years of labor in behalf of afflicted humanity. He appreciated the gift, but his words of acceptance brought tears to the eyes of many.

A photograph of the family, consisting of sixty-two persons was taken.

Marcus L. DeMotte is an ex-congressman, and his personal acquaintance throughout the state is probably as large as that of any other man in Indiana. He is 72 years of age, hale and hearty, and does not appear to be over 50.

In the stormy post bellum days he edited a republican newspaper in Missouri.

Colonel DeMotte has the reputation of being a successful mixture of politician, lawyer and literary man. He is the son of Rev. Daniel DeMotte. He was educated at Greenacres and Asbury (now DePaul) and entered practice of law in Valparaiso in 1858. After serving with General Miller from 1861 to 1865, he settled in Lexington, Missouri, practicing law and running a newspaper. In 1871 he returned to Valparaiso.

Colonel DeMotte was state senator from Porter and Lake in the stormy days of Green Smith and Colonel Robertson. He was in congress in 1880-1882. Of late years he has devoted considerable time to literature and writes fiction, essays and poetry for numerous magazines.

Neither of the brothers ever before visited Pike or Dubois counties. They were agreeably surprised to learn of the advancement Southern Indiana has made during the last ten years. Each of the brothers made many warm friends in this county, during their brief visit, who hope they may often honor Southern Indiana with their presence.

Tuesday, July 25, 1905, will long be remembered by the DeMotte families of Dubois and Pike counties, on account of the large family reunion held at the residence of Sebastian DeMotte, one mile east of New Lebanon church in Pike county, and on the old Lawrence DeMotte homestead, and held in honor of the visit of Colonel Mark L. DeMotte, aged 70 years, of Valparaiso, Ind., and W. H. DeMotte, aged 75 years, of Indianapolis, distant relatives who had not visited here for many years. A photographer was present and took a number of family groups and views in the vicinity to be taken away as mementoes of the occasion. Altogether there were 82 persons present, members of the DeMotte family. A bounteous repast was spread of which all partook, while many a laugh and jest, and light repartee made the day pass pleasantly to all. At a late hour they returned to their respective homes one and all wishing that they might live to see many happy returns of the day.

At Sebastian Demotte's residing east of Otwell, Tuesday, the Demotte family gave a big family reunion, nearly sixty being present. A big dinner was spread, and the day pleasantly spent. After dinner the younger generation recited pieces, while the older ones took time about giving short talks. Among the rest of the county Demottes present were Prof. W. H. Demotte, of Indianapolis, teacher in the state institution for deaf mutes, Dr. Jerome Demotte of Oden, also Col. Mark L. Demotte, dean of the law school at Valparaiso. The reunion was a grand success.



The De Mottes and their families, August, 1905, taken at the Larence De Motte Homeplace. The families are grouped together as much as possible: Upper left: Wm. Omah, wife Ira, Ruth and Wesley De Motte; Susie and Ray Wineinger and baby Gladys, Ida, Lucy, Frank E., Arminta, Estelle, (between) Phoebe, Mark L., Nancy Stillwell De Motte, Florence, Eugene, Sebastian, Myrtle Clark, Berneice Hobbs, Zeno and Ella De Motte Hobbs, Miecy Hobbs, Garnet, Elizabeth, Georgia, F. Mark. Next row: Mrs. Elvis (Caroline) holding Albert, Elvis, holding Howard, Hume L., wife Jane, Bertha. Standing: John H., Dr. Lee M. Seated: Dr. Wm. Milton, wife Anna, and Dr. Wm. Holman, Elizabeth A. DeMotte, (Col. Mark L. DeMotte, Mary DeMotte, Nash, J. Hash Phoebe, Ida, Elizabeth, Georgia, and Chas. DeMotte. Sitting: Elizabeth, Morris, Ruth, and Ethel DeMotte, Mrs. Jerome, Baby, Pauline, Russel, Dr. Jerome, Grace, Charlotte, and Jas. McGlaughlin, Sally, Ethel, Ellis, and Fred Hargrave.



The De Motte men, August, 1905, taken in front of the Lawrence De Motte Homeplace. Left to right standing: John H., Elvis, Charles, Frank Mark, Frank E., Dr. Jerome, Wesley E., Sebastian, Dr. Lee M. Seated: Hume L., Col. Mark Lindsey, Wm. Holman, Ph.D., Dr. Wm. Milton. The Boys: Eugene, Mark Lawrence, Morris, Russell, (later M.D.), Wm. Omah and Howard.

PROF. W. H. DE MOTTE, PR AGED EDUCATOR, DEAD

WITNESSED THE ASSASSINATION
OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

WIT

FUNERAL 10 A. M. TUESDAY

FU Professor W. H. DeMotte, who witnessed the assassination of President Lincoln, died Sunday night at his home, 42 Walcott street, though his illness was not considered serious, despite his advanced age, until little more than three days before his death.

He had lived in this city the greater part of the time since 1850. He was born in Harrodsburg, Ky., July 17, 1830. In 1845 he came with his parents to this state and in 1848 was graduated from Asbury, now DePauw university, in 1848. The degrees of bachelor and master of arts were conferred on him by that university, and in 1877 Lawrence university, Kansas, conferred on him the degree of doctor of laws.

Soon after leaving the university he became a teacher in the Indiana Institute for Deaf Mutes, this employment continuing for fourteen years. This position he left soon after the beginning of the civil war to accept the position offered him by Governor Morton, that of Indiana state military and sanitary agent, stationed at Washington, D. C. He held that position four years, after which he became connected with a number of educational institutions—president of the Indiana Female college, this city; president of the Illinois Woman's college, Jacksonville; superintendent of the Wisconsin school for the deaf; superintendent of the Kansas state school for the deaf; president of Xenia college, Xenia, O. From 1889 he had been an instructor in the Indiana institute for deaf mutes.

Superintendent of Sunday Schools.

In recent years he conducted chapel services at the institute and was superintendent of the deaf mute Sunday school. He was a member of the Meridian Street M. E. church and, for a time, taught a class of deaf mutes in the Sunday school of that church. He is survived by a widow, who was Miss Anna Groves, and seven children—Miss Amy DeMotte, of this city; Mrs. Ellen Brown, Citronville, Ala.; Mrs. Frances Archibald, Isle of Pines, Cuba; Mrs. Catherine Gates, Jacksonville, Ill.; Marshall DeMotte, Corning, Cal.; Mrs. Mary G. Doering, San Jose, Cal., and Mrs. Elizabeth D. Carter, Jacksonville, Ill.

Funeral services will be held at the family home at 10 o'clock this morning, conducted by the Rev. Joshua Stanfield. The body will be taken to Jacksonville, Ill., for burial.

Dr. De Motte was among the last survivors of those who witnessed the assassination of President Lincoln at Ford's Theater, on the night of April 14, 1865. He recently described the scene to The News. "In many years," said the aged narrator, "I did not try to describe the scene, but when at last I ventured to tell my deaf pupils about it I found I could tell the story by signs far better than I could by words."

Stationed at Washington.

"At the time of the tragedy I was stationed in Washington under appointment by Governor Morton as Indiana state military and sanitary agent for Grant's army. My office was near Ford's theater, and on the momentous evening several friends and myself were sitting at the office door when a newsboy passed crying that Lincoln and Grant would be at Ford's theater that night. As two of the men had never seen these distinguished persons we decided to go to the theater. As it grew dark we stepped across to the theater door, expecting the arrival of Lincoln and Grant every moment. Presently it began to rain. I bought tickets and we went in. Passing into the gallery, we took seats almost opposite and in full view of the box where the President and his party would sit.

"Soon the curtain rose and the play, 'Our American Cousin,' began to be interrupted before the end of the first act by cheering and the orchestra striking up 'Hail to the Chief.' Then we saw the tall form of the president, accompanied by Mrs. Lincoln, followed by Miss Harris and Major Rathbone, walk up the south aisle and enter the box reserved for them.

Grant Not Present.

"My guests were greatly disappointed at the absence of General Grant, as the surrender of Lee and the end of the war had made him the most important man of the day. The play went on and then we heard a pistol shot. We saw a man step forward in the box between the President and Mrs. Lincoln, grasp the ledge of the box with his hand and leap over, letting himself down to the floor of the stage, a distance of perhaps fifteen feet.

"Catching a spur in one of the flags decorating the box he alighted with one foot doubled under him. But instantly he leaped to his feet, shouting in a hoarse stage whisper which could be heard throughout the house, 'Sic semper tyranni!'

"He then stalked in an affected tragic manner diagonally across the stage brandishing a long knife and went off through the wings. He was recognized by many of the audience as John Wilkes Booth, a sensational actor, who had recently played there and the first thought was that the shot and the leap to the stage were items of the play, but the screams of Mrs. Lincoln soon gave us to know that a terrible tragedy had been acted within the box."

MARK L. DE MOTTE DEAD AT HIS VALPARAISO HOME

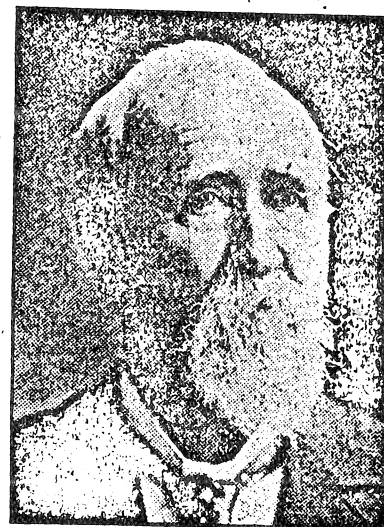
SERVED IN CONGRESS AND IN INDIANA STATE SENATE.

LAWYER, WRITER, TEACHER

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]

VALPARAISO, Ind., September 23.—The Hon. Mark L. DeMotte, former Congressman from the Tenth (Indiana) district, died this morning after an illness of more than a year. He was born in Rockville, this State, December 28, 1832. His father, the Rev. Daniel DeMotte, was a noted circuit rider in the early religious history of Indiana. Mr. DeMotte graduated from Asbury (now DePauw) University in 1853, and also from the law school, and DePauw conferred the degree of L. L. D. in 1903. He married Elizabeth Christy in December, 1856, who died in 1891, and in January, 1893, he married Clara Stephens, who survives him. He was admitted to the Indiana bar in 1855, and he served as prosecuting attorney of the Thirty-first judicial district.

During the civil war he entered the service as ranking first lieutenant of the Fourth Indiana Battery, and was promoted to captain and adjutant-quartermaster. He served in the Forty-seventh Congress as a Representative from the Tenth district (1881-1883), and he was a member of the Indiana Senate from 1886 to 1890. He twice made the race for Congress after returning from Lexington, Mo., to which point he removed after the



MARK L. DE MOTTE.

close of the war, where he practiced and became the editor and proprietor of the Lexington Register.

Dr. DeMotte founded the law department of the Northern Indiana Normal School, the deanship of which he relinquished a few months ago because of ill health. During President Harrison's administration he was postmaster of this city. He was active in Republican politics until his disablement by ill health, and twice he represented his district in national conventions. Besides the second wife, there is a daughter, Mrs. Wilson, wife of the Rev. J. H. Wilson, of Ft. Byron, Ill. In his idle hours he was a writer of stories which were published by the McClure syndicate and the International Magazine. He was also prominent in Masonry.

Mr. DeMotte had four brothers and four sisters, he being the youngest. All of them are now dead, with the exception of W. H. DeMotte, 242 Walcott street, Indianapolis, who is now en route to this city.

DANIEL DeMOTTE

The religious spirit of the French Huguenots, the courage of the immigrant forefathers, and the fortitude of the pioneers, seem to have been concentrated in Daniel DeMotte. Following his conversation to the Methodist faith he left a comfortable farm home in Kentucky, took his wife and seven children into the wilderness of Indiana, and became a Methodist preacher.

The story of his conversion and his decision to enter the ministry is interesting. His wife, who was deeply religious, begged him to attend a Methodist camp-meeting being held near their Kentucky home. As an excuse for not going, he said he must go to the County seat to pay his taxes. Mary decided to go along and next morning rode away toward Harrodsburg on the same horse with her husband. When they neared the camp-meeting grounds a storm came up suddenly and they sought shelter in the tent meeting place. Before they left Daniel was converted. When he returned home he immediately moved the liquor glasses and bottles from their usual place on the table and replaced them with the Bible. The next morning a neighbor who had called every day for a sociable drink, appeared at the DeMotte home as usual.

"Just be seated," Daniel said, "We have not had our morning prayers yet."

The old fellow's eyes opened wide; he sat down on the edge of a chair looking very uncomfortable. When the prayers were ended, he remarked, "Well I reckon I'd better be gwyen." And he returned no more for drinks.

Soon after his conversion, Daniel helped at a corn shucking. Following an old custom, the men stood in a circle and a bottle of liquor was passed around, each man taking a "swig." Daniel stayed outside the circle, saying he could not drink. Some one suggested that if he couldn't drink, he might pass the bottle along. "No Sir," he replied, "What I can not do myself, I will not ask others to do."

When thirteen years of age, Daniel DeMotte lost his father. When nineteen, he married Mary Brewer, and took her to a two room house of their own in Perryville, Kentucky, where in one room he established a tailorship, and in the other the home. This house stood on a lot purchased by Daniel for \$16.50. Soon realizing he must give up confining work, he rented a farm and a little later bought land at Cove Spring, Kentucky. He divided his time between tailoring and outdoor work, and gradually regained his health. The following is a description of the farm, as given in the deed dated October 6, 1818. "A parcel of land containing $62\frac{1}{2}$ acres in Mercer County, on the waters of Doctors Fork, bounded as follows: Beginning at two sugar trees corner, to Barster Blagroves, thence N. 45 degrees, E. 57 pole, to two black locusts and ash, in said Blagroves line, then

N. 45 degrees, W. 154 pole to sugar tree and hickory in Taylors line, thence W. 80 pole to two dogwoods and beach, in said line, thence south 45 degrees E. 208 pole to beginning."

Daniel DeMotte needed the courage of his forefathers, when he sold this farm and with his wife and seven children, went into the new state of Indiana to ride a Methodist circuit. He had small means, little schooling, and no preparation for the ministry. He settled his family on a farm now a part of Rockville, Indiana, where a brother, Cornelius, lived, and set about at once carrying the message of Christianity he himself had so recently heeded, to the scattered Hoosier pioneers. There was much to discourage him. Even the Presiding Elder of his district thought he had better turn to something else than preaching. In later years Elder Cooper admitted his error.

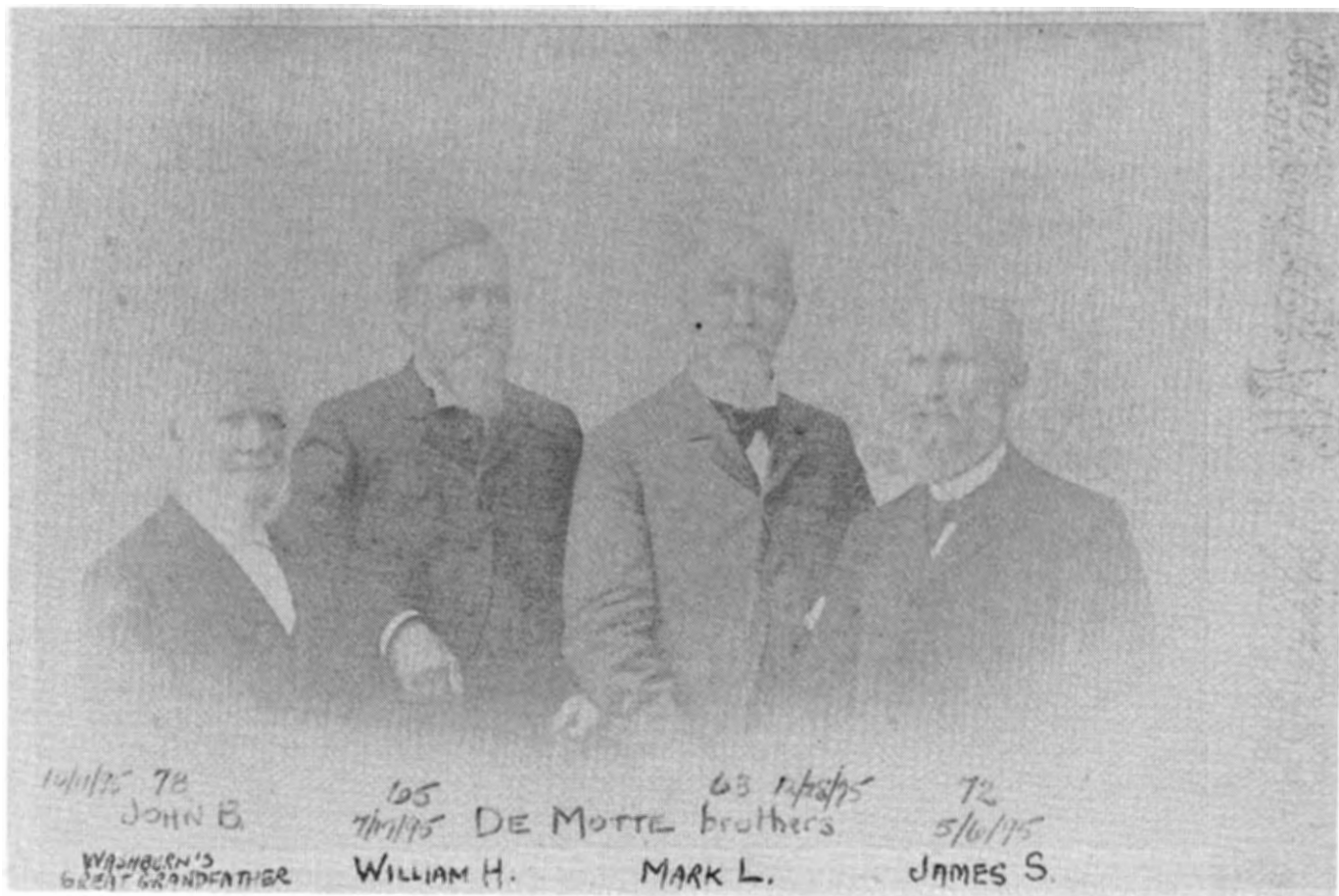
Perhaps the greater share of the burdens of pioneer life fell on the wife. Mary Brewer DeMotte, with her eight children - Mark L. the eighth was born in Rockville - moved almost every year, living usually in one room cabins and much of the time without protection, when the husband was out on the circuit. The eldest son, John, said of his mother, "She was one of the loveliest of women." At another time he wrote of her, "The love power of such women can not be estimated."

After the family moved to Greencastle, they lived more comfortably. Daniel DeMotte not only sent a number of his own children to Indiana Asbury University (now DePauw), but was able to aid financially several students, among them Daniel Vorhees, who repaid his benefactor long before he became a United States Senator.

In 1835 Daniel DeMotte was admitted to the Indiana Annual Conference as a traveling preacher. In 1853 he was appointed by the Board of Trustees of Indiana Asbury University, to act as general agent to solicit funds for the institution. This position he held nine years until the agency was abolished. He gave forty years service to the Methodist Church.

Mary Brewer DeMotte died in Greencastle, Indiana, October 21, 1866 and was buried there. In 1867 Daniel DeMotte married Margaret Rifenbarick, who survived him.

February 2, 1875, Daniel DeMotte, the Circuit Rider, began his last journey. His dying words were, "All is well, all is well, Blessed Jesus."



Uncle Daniel De Motte's sons, 1895. John Brewer, D.D., Wm. Holman, Ph.D., Col. Mark L. LLD., and James Smock De Mott

DE MOTTE, Harvey Clelland, prof. mathematics, Ill. Wesleyan U.; b. nr. Greenfield, Ill., July 17, 1838; s. John L. and Phoebe A. DeMotte; grad. Ill. Wesleyan U., 1861; Ph.D., Syracuse U. (in mathematics); admitted to bar; m. Sarah J. Kern, July 26, 1864. Prof. mathematics, Ill. Wesleyan U., 1861-84; 1st Lt. Co. G, 68th Ill. vols., 1862; pres. Chad-dock Coll., Quincy, Ill., 1884-87; supt. Ill. Soldiers' Orphans' Home, 1887-93; lay delegate to Gen. Conf. M.E. Ch., 1892; editor and pub. Alumni Journal 7 yrs.; editor Daily and weekly Leader, Bloomington, Ill., 1896-99. Home: Bloomington, Ill. Died 1904.

DE MOTTE, Mark L., lawyer, congressman; b. Rockville, Ind., Dec. 23, 1832; s. Rev. Daniel and Mary (Brewer) D.; ed. Ind. log sch. house until 1848; grad. Asbury (now De Pauw) U., A.B., 1853, A.M., 1856; grad. law sch. same, LL.B., 1855 (LL.D., De Pauw, 1903); m. Elizabeth Christy, Dec. 18, 1856 (died 1891); m. 2d, Clara Stephens, Jan. 12, 1893. Admitted to Ind. bar, Feb. 19, 1855; pros. atty. 31st Jud. circuit, Ind., Oct. 1856—; entered Union service as ranking 1st Lt., 4th Ind. battery, Aug. 1861; promoted capt. and a.q.m., May 1862. Mem. 47th Congress, 10th Ind. dist., 1881-83; mem. Ind. senate, 1890-99; dean Northern Ind. Law Sch., Valparaíso, Ind., 1879—, Methodist, Republican. Address: Valparaíso, Ind. Died 1903.

Who Was Who in America Before 1900



Front-Wm. Holman, Anna G., Col. Mark L., Clara Stevens DeMotte.
Rear-Lelia Washburn, John Brewer II, and John Brewer I DeMotte.



Wm. Holman DeMotte, Ph.D., Col. Mark L. DeMotte LLD.,
Circa 1895- Michigan

(Family of John B. DeMotte Sr.)

LAURENCE WASHBURN DE MOTTE

BORN GREENCASTLE, INDIANA SEPTEMBER 18, 1879

DIED SEPTEMBER 29, 1950 NEW YORK, N.Y.

BURIED IN LONG ISLAND NATIONAL CEMETERY, PINELAWN, N.Y.

MARRIED 1ST MAY 21, 1902 MARGARET ELLIOTT FIELD IN WAYNE, PA.

BORN NOVEMBER 9, 1892 PORTSMOUTH, N.H.

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LAURENCE WASHBURN DE MOTTE

BORN APRIL 20, 1904 BRYN MAWR, PA.

AFTER PARENTS' DIVORCE REPEATEDLY WAS

RENAMED JOHN FIELD DE MOTTE

MARRIED 2ND DECEMBER 30, 1910 NELLIE MARGARET (MARJORIE) RAMEY

BORN APRIL 24, 1885 ALEXANDRIA, VA.

DIED AUGUST 8, 1976 NEW YORK, N.Y.

BURIED LONG ISLAND NATIONAL CEMETERY
AT PINELAWN, N.Y.

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WASHBURN PAYNE DE MOTTE

BORN APRIL 16, 1913 WASHINGTON, D.C.

MARRIED 1ST JUNE 26, 1938 AT ELKTON, MD.

TO JOY TAMBLYN

BORN JULY 26, 1916

STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DIVORCED JULY 1951

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MARJORIE DE MOTTE

BORN SEPTEMBER 8, 1941 STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

MARRIED GEORGE GRANT WELCH, JR.

JUNE 15, 1963 IN PORTLAND, MAINE

DIVORCED

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SUSAN WELCH

BORN JUNE 1967

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ANN WELCH

BORN JANUARY 1964

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BETTY BREWER DE MOTTE

BORN APRIL 1, 1915

DIED DECEMBER 30, 1917 ATLANTA, GA.

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EDWARD DE MOTTE

MARRIED SARA

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LAUREN DE MOTTE

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JEANINE DE MOTTE

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BORN JANUARY 1964

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LAURENCE WASHBURN DE MOTTE

BORN MARCH 6, 1945 STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

→ MARRIED 2ND AUGUST 17, 1951 AT SUMMIT, N.J. HELEN HOOKER RODEWALD
BORN DECEMBER 7, 1919 STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

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JACK DE MOTTE

MARRIED RUBY

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JACK BUCK DE MOTTE

Daniel DeMotte, born March 19, 1798, Mercer Co., Ky.
Died February 2, 1875, Greencastle, Indiana. Married 1st October 31, 1816, Mary Brewer, Mercer Co., Ky. Married 2nd, 1867, Mrs. Margaret Rifenbarick.

Children of Daniel and Mary Brewer DeMotte:

1. John Brewer, born October 11, 1817, Perryville, Ky. Died November 30, 1901, Chicago, Ill. Methodist minister for fifty years. Married 1st, September 27, 1842, Emily F. Payne, Owen Co., Indiana. Emily F. Payne, born Bedford Co., Va. Died July 9, 1851. 2nd, July 17, 1852, Phoebe J. Foster, born Monroe Co., N.Y. Died October 25, 1891.

Children of John B. and Emily Payne DeMotte:

- a-1. James Emory, born 1843, died 1843.
- a-2. John Brewer, born August 21, 1848, Waveland, Indiana. Died September 1, 1907, Greencastle, Ind. Married February 5, 1878, Lelia L. Washburn, born September 16, 1855. Died Feb. 25, 1910.
- a-3. Elizabeth, born 1844. Married Dr. Marvin T. Case.

Children of John B. and Phoebe Foster DeMotte:

- b-1. Margaret, born 1858. M. William Potts.
- b-2. Emily Foster, born 1860. Died September 14, 1920. Married May 7, 1878, James E. Vanschoiack.
- b-3. George Ellis, born 1862.
- b-4. Phoebe Minnie, died 1870.
- b-5. Sarah Ellen, died 1874.

2. Mary Ann, born May 29, 1819. Died October 2, 1856. Married January 1, 1835, William Sunderland.

Children of Wm. and Mary Ann DeMotte Sunderland:

- a-1. James, D., Born June 9, 1836. Died June 27, 1837.
- a-2. Thomas, born March 5, 1839.
- a-3. Mary Ellen, born October 6, 1841. Died November 5, 1865.
- a-4. George, born September 30, 1843. Died January 29, 1896.
- a-5. John, born July 22, 1846.
- a-6. William, born October 14, 1848. Died November 21, 1913.
- a-7. Charles, born October 4, 1851. Died November 4, 1856.

3. Sarah Jane, born May 22, 1821.

4. James Smock, born May 6, 1823. Married May 3, 1842, Margaret Spangler.

Children of James S. and Margaret Spangler DeMotte:

- a-1. Charles W.
- a-2. Laura E., Married Mr. Holt.
- a-3. Alice E., Married Mr. Marsh.
- a-4. Martha Frances. Married Mr. Peyton.



Washburn Payne and Helen Rodewald DeMotte

Daniel DeMotte continued

WASHBURN PAYNE De MOTTE

Sr. Sales Representative, N. Y., Insurance from CNA; born Washington, D. C. April 16, 1913; son of Laurence Washburn and Marjorie Ramey De Motte, reported descendant of Light Horse Harry Lee and Patrick Henry of Virginia; attended De Motte School, New Canaan, Conn. and Newton Academy, Newton, N.J., both schools run by his father; attended Haverford College, Pa., New York Stock Exchange Educational Institute and Insurance Society of New York. Married June 1938 Joy Tamblyn; children Marjorie, September 8, 1941 and Laurence Washburn, March 6, 1945. Divorced July 1951. Married Helen Hooker Rodewald August 17, 1951. Home: New York, N.Y.

HELEN HOOKER RODEWALD De MOTTE

Freelance Writer. Born Staten Island, N.Y. December 7, 1919, daughter of Herman Nelson Rodewald whose family traces its lineage to Audolphus von Rodewolt in Germany in 1356 and Helen Margaret Hooker. Her great grandmother was Catherina Julia MacNeil Rodewald whose sister was the mother of James MacNeil Whistler. She attended Ethical Culture School, Katherine Gibbs, the New York School of Interior Design and studied art at the New School with Yasuo Kuniyoshi and Camille Egas. For 10 years she was Market Place Editor of American Home Magazine and was its Managing Editor from 1962 to 1968. As a freelance writer, she contributed to the development of the Carolyn Davis advertising pages of Readers Digest for two years and was Executive Editor of Pools & Gardens Magazine. Home: New York, N.Y. Married Washburn Payne De Motte August 17, 1951.

DeM 6 John Brewer, B. Oct. 11, 1817, Perryville, Kentucky. Died 1901 in Chicago, Ill. Injured in a street car accident. He was a Methodist Minister for 50 years. Married Sept. 27, 1842 to Emily F. Payne in Owens County, Indiana. His second wife, Phoebe Foster, (B. Monroe Co., New York,) he married in July 17, 1852.

Three Children by first marriage

DeM 7- James Henry, B. 1843, died in 1843.

DeM 7- John Brewer DeMotte, A.M., Ph. D., M.D.; B. August 21, 1848, Waveland, Indiana. Prof. of Science at DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana. A noted lecturer on the public platform for many years. Died Sept. 1, 1907 at Greencastle, Indiana. Married Lelia Washburn, Feb. 5, 1878. Died Feb. 25, 1910. Her father, Gen. Henry P. Washburn, Two Children

DeM 8-1-Lawrence Washburn DeMotte

DeM 8-2-John B. DeMotte, B. Greencastle, Indiana. No records available.

NOTE
DeM 8-1-Lawrence Washburn, B. in 1877 at Greencastle, Ind. Graduated Haverford College, Haverford, Pa. Studied law at Valparaiso Law School, founded by his Great Uncle Mark DeMotte. Practiced Law; 1907-1908, head History Dept. in Tome; 1908, Director of Discipline at Peekskill Military Ac.; 1909-1912, Head Master Army and Navy School Preparatory; 1912-1914, Office of Comptroller Asst. Nat'l. Bank Examiner 6th Reserve District; May 1917 1st. Officers Training Camp 3rd Battery, Ft. McPherson, Georgia; August 17, 1917, commissioned 1st. Lt. Inf.; Served as Personnel Adj., Camp Gordon. 82nd Div. and Base Section No. 2., Bordeaux, France. Commissioned Capt. Jan, 1918. Major, July, 1918; 1919-1922 was Personnel American Express Co., 1923-1924 with A.B. Leach Investment Bankers; 1924-1928, Head Master DeMotte School of New Canaan, Conn. which was in 1928 Consolidated with Newton academy.

Daniel DeMotte continued

5. Martha Ellen, born April 24, 1825. Died July 16, 1898, Chicago, Illinois. Married 1st, June 28, 1842, Joel Johnson Thorpe. 2nd, January 8, 1856, Nathan Page Sunderland.

Children of Joel J. and Ellen DeMotte Thorpe:

- a-1. John Daniel, born March 29, 1844. Died July 29, 1845.
a-2. Lucius Mortimer, born June 16, 1846. Died April 20, 1853.
a-3. Emily DeMotte, born August 30, 1848. Died May 31, 1912.

Children of Nathan P. and Ellen DeMotte Sunderland:

- a-1. Hettie Rofena, born December 23, 1857. Died November 9, 1859.
a-2. Mark D., born October 28, 1860. Died March 22, 1863.
a-3. William Ward, born July 18, 1863.
a-4. Mary, born April 27, 1868.

6. Amanda Frances, born March 2, 1828. Died October 17, 1883, Greencastle, Indiana. Married August 10, 1847, Abisha Lawton Morrison, born June 30, 1825.

Children of A. L. and Amanda F. DeMotte Morrison:

- a-1. Daniel Strobbridge, born May 12, 1849, Greencastle, Indiana. Married February 15, 1872, Rebecca C. Walter, born 1851.
a-2. Mary Florence, born September 6, 1850. Died August 13, 1921. Married April 21, 1869, Wilbur Fiske Walker.
a-3. Catherine Blanche, born August 21, 1869. Died April 12, 1911. Married October 18, 1871, Lewis D. Hayes. Married January 10, 1884, Roland T. Carr.
a-4. John Foster, born October 27, 1854. Died April 18, 1925. Married October 8, 1889, Jennie F. Patterson.
a-5. Anna Lorinda, born July 7, 1856. Married September 29, 1879, Jefferson Clark.
a-6. Ella DeMotte, born December 23, 1858, Putnam Co., Ind. Married March 22, 1883, Albert P. Burnside.
a-7. William Lawton, born June 20, 1861. Died Fall of 1861.
a-8. Thomas Stevens, born December 14, 1863.
a-9. Mark Lawton, born April 2, 1866. Died October 1873.
a-10. Amanda Frances, born September 8, 1868. Married June 19, 1889, James A. Hanna.
a-11. Fred Walker, born March 1, 1870. Died 1870.
a-12. Frank Walker, born April 4, 1873. Married October 9, 1901, Jesse H. Skinner.

7. William Holman, born July 17, 1830, Mercer Co., Ky. Died January 2, 1910, Indianapolis, Indiana. Present in Ford's Theatre, Washington, when Abraham Lincoln was assassinated. Teacher of the Deaf. Married 1st, September 15, 1852, Catherine Hoover, born November 21, 1831, Tippecanoe Co., died May 28, 1872, Jacksonville, Ill. Married 2nd, December 23, 1873, Anna Graves, born October 15, 1840, Bardstown, Ky. Died June 17, 1921, Jacksonville, Illinois.

Daniel DeMotte continued

Children of William H. and Catherine Hoover DeMotte:

- a-1. Ellen, born January 6, 1854. Married October 28, 1873, William Finley Brown. W.F. Brown died 1920.
- a-2. Frances, born February 24, 1856. Married 1885, Albert R. Archibald.
- a-3. Catharine, born July 14, 1860. Married July 7, 1880, Eugene A. Gates.
- a-4. Marshall, born November 28, 1862. Married 1892, Florence Hackett.
- a-5. Mary G., born March 10, 1867. Married 1894, J.G. Deering, Japan.
- a-6. Elizabeth, born September 11, 1871. Married July 31, 1894, Truman P. Carter.

Child of William H. and Anna Graves DeMotte:

- a-1. Amelia, born June 21, 1876, Died 1952.
- 8. Mark Lindsay, born December 28, 1832, Rockville, Ind. Died September 23, 1908, Valparaiso, Ind. Founder of the Valparaiso Indiana Law School. Member of the 47th Congress, 1881-1883. Married 1st, December 16, 1856, Elizabeth Christy. Married 2nd, January 12, 1893, Clara A. Stevens.

Children of Mark L. and Elizabeth Christy DeMotte:

- a-1. Mary, born December 16, 1857. Married John H. Wilson.
- a-2. Louise, born August 23, 1859. Died September 24, 1905. Married Lawrence Letherman.



Wm. Holman DeMotte, Col. & Mrs. Mark L. DeMotte

Sarah Jane DeMotte, born May 22, 1821, Mercer Co., Kentucky. Died February 16, 1904, Indianapolis, Ind. Married November 10, 1836, Hiram Marshall, Rockville, Indiana.

Children of Hiram and Sarah Jane DeMotte Marshall:

1. William Sunderland, Teacher of the deaf. Born August 29, 1837, Rockville, Ind. Died July 24, 1909, Pasadena, Calif. Married August 17, 1870, Mrs. Dolly Tate Kerr, born August 16, 1842. Died July 25, 1878. Married February 24, 1880, Martha Dunn, Pleasant Hills, Missouri. Married July 6, 1882, Ellena Provines, St. Louis, Mo., died October 10, 1914.

Children of Wm. and Dolly Tate Marshall:

- a-1. Ella, born October 18, 1873.
- a-2. William Nolley, born June 7, 1875. Married October 10, 1911, Mary Fletcher Gray.
- a-3. Dolly Grace, born July 24, 1878.

Children of Wm. and Martha Dunn Marshall:

- a-1. Ford Dunn, born March 2, 1881. Died August 23, 1882. Martha Dunn Marshall died March 21, 1881.
2. Mary Ellen, born December 16, 1839, Rockville, Ind. Died March 23, 1880, Greencastle, Ind. Married July 6, 1859, William Green Burnett, Jeffersonville, Ind. W.G. Burnett born December 8, 1833, Edgar Co., Ill. Died February 17, 1906, Anderson, Indiana.

Children of Wm. G. and Mary E. Marshall Burnett:

- a-1. Minnie, born May 16, 1860, Paris, Illinois. Married June 24, 1879, Edward Benton Walker, born September 18, 1854.

Children of E. B. and Minnie B. Walker:

- b-1. Edith DeMotte, born June 21, 1880, Anderson, Ind. Married June 19, 1906, John Ralph Voris, born June 6, 1880.

Children of J. R. and Edith Walker Voris:

- c-1. Virginia, born December 6, 1907, N. Y.
- c-2. George Walker, born January 27, 1910, Anderson, Indiana.
- c-3. Edith Elois, born July 30, 1914, Laramie, Wyoming.
- b-2. Willis Burnett, born November 22, 1884, Anderson, Ind. Married December 28, 1911, Gertrude Taylor, Humboldt, Ill, born January 30, 1885.

Children of Willis B. and Gertrude T. Walker:

- c-1. Burnett, born May 10, 1913, East Orange, N. Y.
- c-2. John David, born March 4, 1924, N. Y.
- b-3. Nelle B., born December 19, 1887, Anderson, Ind. Married December 31, 1913, Robison Wallard Irvin, born January 10, 1886.

Child of R. W. and Nelle Walker Irvin.

- c-1. Jean, born February 7, 1915, Oxford, Ind.

Sarah Jane DeMotte continued

- a-2. Charles Marshall, born July 3, 1862, Paris, Ill. Died October 23, 1904.
- a-3. Olive, born June 10, 1867, Greencastle, Ind. Married November 13, 1889, Ralph B. Clark, Anderson, Ind., born May 24, 1866.

Children of Ralph B. and Olive Burnett Clark:

- b-1. George L., born September 6, 1892, Anderson, Ind. Married June 19, 1919, Mary Mason Johnson.

Children of George and Mary M. Clark:

- c-1. Mary Ann, born April 12, 1920.
 - c-2. Ralph Burnett, born October 1, 1921.
 - c-3. George Mason, born March 24, 1923.
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- b-2. Robert Walker, born September 2, 1894, Anderson, Indiana. Married Sept. 1, 1923, Margaret Brown.

Child of Robert W. and Margaret Clark.

- c-1. William Brown, born July 20, 1924.
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- b-3. Maryellen, born November 6, 1896, Anderson, Indiana.
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- a-4. Paul Heath, born February 14, 1870, Greencastle, Ind. Married December 20, 1899, Minnie Eshelman, Anderson, Ind.

Children of Paul H. and Minnie Eshelman Burnett:

- b-1. Martha Pauline, born December 25, 1904, Anderson, Ind.
 - b-2. David William, born July 31, 1906, Greencastle, Indiana.
 - b-3. Edward Ross, born August 31, 1910, Elwood, Ind. Died September 12, 1910.
 - b-4. Elizabeth Charity, born September 18, 1912, Elwood, Indiana.
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- a-5. William Willis, born March 22, 1877, Greencastle, Ind. Died May 18, 1912, married Musa Scouden, Anderson, Ind.
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- 3. Sarah Frances, born March 29, 1842, Greencastle, Indiana. Died May 24, 1926. Married August 6, 1862, George W. Perry, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Children of George W. and Frances Marshall Perry:

- a-1. Albert Stuart, born August 13, 1863. Married June 20, 1888, Joanna Marquette.

Children of Albert S. and Joanna M. Perry:

- b-1. Ernest, born August 1, 1890. Married May 30, 1914, Evelyn Linke.

Children of Ernest and Evelyn L. Perry:

- c-1. Russell Linke Perry, born June 27, 1915.
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- b-2. Vivian, born June 9, 1894, Died August 24, 1894.

Sarah Jane DeMotte continued

- a-2. Edward Marshall, born November 9, 1865. Married December 30, 1892, Laura Belle Cox.

Children of Edward M. and Laura Cox Marshall:

- b-1. Olma Lucile, born March 30, 1895. Married 1920, Edwin Arnold.

Child of Olma and E. Arnold.

- c-1. Wilma Jean, born November 2, 1922.

- b-2. Edna Regina, born July 15, 1896.

- b-3. Wilma Gladys, born November 22, 1898. Married November 10, 1923, Ralph Whitsitt.

- b-4. Harold Cecil, born December 22, 1905.

- a-3. Francis Sullivan, born October 10, 1867. Married Sept., 1896, Eliza Walker.

Children of Francis and Eliza W. Perry:

- b-1. Frances, born March 17, 1898.

- b-2. Estelle, born January 8, 1902.

- b-3. Theodore, born August, 1905.

- b-4. Francis, born May 16, 1907.

- a-4. Kate, born June 20, 1871. Married Lincoln D. Snider.

Children of Lincoln and Kate Perry Snider:

- b-1. Lawrence T., born July 9, 1889. Married June 9, 1913, Florence Aker.

Child, Leona, born June 6, 1914.

- b-2. Perry B., born May 27, 1893.

- b-3. Naomi O., born Dec. 4, 1894. Married May 1921, Charles McCurry. Child, Sarah Frances, born April 12, 1922.

- b-4. Marshall, born September 27, 1897.

- b-5. Gilbert R., born August 12, 1900.

- b-6. LaVerne D., born December 11, 1903.

- b-7. Esther Flora, born March 27, 1905.

- a-5. Rose Etta, born September 27, 1875. Married June 9, 1897, Edwin Porter Ellsberry, died March 13, 1918. Married August 1, 1925, Jewett Russell Hudlow.

Children of E. P. and Rose Perry Ellsberry:

- b-1. Frank Elder, born March 8, 1898.

- b-2. George Edwin, born December 16, 1909.

- b-3. Mary Janette, born May 5, 1912.

- a-6. Jane DeMotte, born November 1, 1877, married May 16, 1900, Francis Joseph Walsh, born February 26, 1874.

- a-7. Hiram Paul, born June 4, 1881. Died December 30, 1902.

Sarah Jane DeMotte continued

4. George Beswick, born April 16, 1844, Greencastle, Indiana.
Died October 21, 1916, Tacoma, Washington. Married October 1,
1868, Clarinda Tucker, Martinsville, Indiana.

Children of George B. and Clarinda Tucker Marshall:

- a-1. Lucile, born April 7, 1870, Greencastle, Indiana. Married
April 25, 1894, Hubert Hunt, Indianapolis, Ind, born
April 17, 1869. Died January 31, 1918, Tacoma, Washington.

Children of Herbert and Lucile Marshall Hunt:

- b-1. Marshall Allen, born Dec. 1, 1895, Indianapolis. Married
Sept. 1, 1921, Mae Murphy, N.Y.
 - b-2. Katharine Starr, born Nov. 4, 1900, Indianapolis, Indiana.
 - b-3. Clara Louise, born July 17, 1905, Everett, Washington.
 - b-4. Herbert, born July 13, 1907, Tacoma, Wash.
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- a-2. Sarah Katherine, born January 20, 1875, Greencastle, Ind.
Married June 15, 1898, Richard Twells Buchanan.

Children of Richard T. and Sarah Marshall Buchanan:

- b-1. Helen, born September 10, 1901, Indianapolis, Indiana.
- b-2. Harriet Lucile, born May 30, 1909, Tacoma, Washington.
Died June 1, 1909, Tacoma, Wash.
- b-3. Richard Marshall, born March 13, 1914, Tacoma, Wash. Died
September 11, 1920, Indianapolis, Ind.

5. Albert Theodore, born April 26, 1847, died August 25, 1847.
3. William Hiran, born November 20, 1879, Greencastle, Ind.
Died January 10, 1920, Opal, Wyoming.

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ADAM BROUWER

Adam Brouwer, sometimes with the added name of Berkhoven, emigrated to America in 1642, and settled in New Amsterdam. He was a soldier from Cologne, in the employment of the Dutch West India Company, which had a military post for the protection of its colony. March 19, 1645, he married Magdalena Jacobs Verdon, a girl of French Huguenot family, who had lived in Holland a short time before emigrating to this country with her brother Thomas Verdon. Adam Brouwer bought a lot in New Amsterdam in 1647, on the north side of Beaver Street east of Broadway, but having difficulty in obtaining a clear title, he selected another lot (location unknown) for which he was given a patent by the Governor of New Netherlands. This property he sold August 19, 1656, soon after he moved to Long Island. In 1661 he and Isaac DeForest held conjointly at Gowanus, the oldest tide-water mill on Long Island, leased probably from Jans Evertse Bout, who willed the property to Adam Brouwer's children.

Adam brouwer in his will dated January 22, 1692, is styled Adam Brouwer Berkhoven, inhabitant of the town of Brookland. In his will his sons Peter and Jacob, and his daughter Aeltje, were cut off with a shilling for disobedience.

There is a facsimile of Adam Brouwer's signature in Valentine's Manual, 1863.

Adam and Magdalena Verdon Brouwer were members of the Reformed Dutch Church. They had fourteen children.

- I. Adam Brouwer, came to America in 1642. Died about 1698. Married March 19, 1645, Magdalena Jacobs Verdon, in New Amsterdam.

Children of Adam and Magdalena Jacobs Verdon Brouwer.

Peter, Bap. September 23, 1646. Married (1) Petronella Uldricks, (2) Geertruyd Jans, (3) Annetie Jansen.

Mathys, Bap. May 30, 1649. Married Margrietje Wyckof.

William, Bap. March 5, 1651. Married Elizabeth Simpson.

Marretje, Bap. June 4, 1653. Married (1) Jacob Pieterszen (2)

Barent Janszen.

Aeltje - Married Josias Janszen Dreax.

Fytie - Married (1) Evert Hendricksen (2) Matys Cornelissen.

Helena, Bap. October 31, 1660. Married (1) David Hendricksen (2)

William Nazareth.

Adam, Bap. May 18, 1662. Married Marretje Hendricks.

Abraham, married Cornelia Halsyn.

Jacob, Bap. October 3, 1663. Married Annetie Bogardus.

Anna (No records).

Adam Brouwer continued

Sarah, Married (1) Tunis Janz (2) Thomas Smit (3) Thomas Knight.
Nicholas, Bap. April 16, 1672. Married Jannetje Calsier.
Rachel, married Pieter Hendrickson.

From Bergen "Genealogy of Kings County, New York." "New York
Genealogical and Biographical Records." "Ancient Families of New
York," by Edwin R. Purple.

II. Jacob Brouwer, born October 3, 1663 at Gowanus, Long Island.
Married June 29, 1682, Annetie Bogardus at Flatbush, N.Y.

Children of Jacob and Annetie Bogardus Brouwer;

Jacob, Bap. November 30, 1684, Long Island; Willen, Bap. May 8,
1687, Long Island; Everardus, Bap. December 8, 1689, L.I.;
Elisabet, Bap. November 15, 1694, L.I.; Adam, Bap. March 29, 1696,
Long Island; Wyntie, Bap. October 1, 1701, New York; Magdalena,
Bap. March 8, 1704, New York.

From "Bergen Genealogy of Kings County, N.Y." "New York Gene-
alogical and Biographical Records Vol. 15."

III. Jacob Brouwer, Bap. November 30, 1684, Long Island. Married
October 28, 1709, Petronella De La Montagne. Lived early
life in Brooklyn. Moved to New York before 1712.

Children of Jacob and Petronella De La Montagne Brouwer:

Jacob, Bap. September 24, 1710, Brooklyn, Long Island; Johannes,
Bap. March 19, 1712, New York; Abraham, Bap. February 6, 1717, N.Y.;
Ante, Bap. March 13, 1720, New York; Adam, Bap. February 14, 1722,
New York; Antje, Bap. March 30, 1726, New York; Cornelius, Bap.
November 9, 1730, New York.

From "Purples Ancient Families of New York."
Daniel, Bap. 1718, New York

From W. H. DeMottes Family Chart, And from D.A.R. papers of Mrs.
Mary H. Forney, Lancaster, Pa.

IV. Daniel Brouwer (sometimes spelled Brower). Born 1718, New
York. Will probated February 22, 1791, Mercer Co., Ky.
Married October 10, 1743, Marytin Koning (Mary King).

From New Jersey Archives, First series, Vol. 22, P. 478, Marytin
Koning, Bap. March 22, 1724.

Children of Daniel and Marytin Koning Brower:

Lea, Bap. July 15, 1744; Susanna, Bap. March 22, 1747; Daniel,
Bap. August 12, 1751; Rachel, Bap. August 21, 1752; Johannes,
Bap. April 30, 1761; Sara, Bap. October 23, 1763.

Adam Brouwer continued

From Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Hackensack and Schraalenburg. Mrs. Forney's D.A.R. papers.

Abraham, Mary and Phoebe named in will.

- V. Johannes Brower, Bap. April 30, 1761. Died February 15, 1822.
Married (1) April 3, 1782, Jannetie Van Arsdale, died 1793.
(2) December 14, 1793, Dianna Sarter, (3) Mary House.

Children of Johannes and Jannetie Van Arsdale Brower:

Garret, Bap. Nov. 17, 1782, Conewago, Pa.; David, Bap. April 9, 1786, Conewago, Pa.; Abram, lived in Johnson Co., Inc. (tradition);
Mary, born March 6, 1793, Mercer Co., Ky.; Charity;
Daniel, lived in Putnam Co., Ind. (tradition)

Children of Johannes and Dianna S. Brower:

John, Jane, twins (no names), Catherine, Samuel, Henry.

Children of Johannes and Mary House Brower:

Jacob, James, Paulina, Elijah, Elizabeth, Silas.

- VI. Mary Brewer (Father's name also spelled Brower), born
March 6, 1793, Mercer Co., Ky., died October 21, 1866,
Greencastle, Indiana, Married October 31, 1816, Daniel De-
Motte, Mercer Co., Ky.

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EVERARDUS BOGARDUS

Grandfather of Annettie Bogardus who married Jacob Brouwer.

When Everardus Bogardus left the ship Zoutberg, and landed on the shore of Manhattan Island, in 1633, he found waiting for him the only church building between Plymouth Colony, and Virginia. Many early historians speak of Dominie Bogardus as the first clergyman in New Amsterdam, but a letter found in 1858, proves that Jonas Michaelius held religious services in the loft of a mill, and also served as school-master there from 1628 to 1633. However, Everardus Bogardus was the first settled minister with a regular charge, and a place of meeting built for religious purposes in New Netherlands. His church -- the Reformed Dutch -- stood a short distance from the fort on the present day Pearl Street, New York, between Broad and Whitehall Streets. The building was made of wood and was not a great success architecturally. Some critics said "It is a shame that the English should see, when they pass, nothing but a mean barn in which public worship is performed." Next to the church stood the parsonage where the minister lived from the time of his arrival until his marriage to the Widow Jansen (Anneke Janse). He then bought a house on Winckel Street, -- a house with a Holland brass knocker, and a gay flower garden bordered with box. Today a bronze tablet on the Kemble building, marks its site.

Dominie Bogardus and his wife were granted 130 acres of land on East River -- now the site of Hunters Point. This farm was called "Dominies Hoek." Anneke Janse's farm was often called "Dominies Bouwerie."

During the Indian wars, the church was considered an unsafe place of meeting because of the Indian practice of making attacks during service, "When the presence and affright of the females subjected the citizens to a battle at great disadvantage." So it was decided to build a new edifice inside the fort. At the wedding of a step-daughter of Dominie Bogardus, when the festivities were at their height, and all were in the best of spirits, Governor Kieft passed the subscription list for the new church, and the happy guests vied with each other in donations. Later, in calmer moments, some wished to withdraw their generous pledges, but were held to them.

Everardus Bogardus was a very outspoken man and openly criticised the official acts of Governor Wouter VanTwiller and Governor Kieft. He went so far as to call VanTwiller a "Child of the Devil," and threatened to give the Governor "such a shake on the following Sabbath from the pulpit as would make him shudder." Friends of the Governor replied that the Minister had "demeaned himself toward the Director in a manner unbecoming a heathen, much less a Christian, letting alone a preacher of the Gospel." The quarrel between the Minister and Governor Kieft was even more serious. Kieft and his Council were unpopular, and the Dominie was outspoken in his criticisms of them. Valentine says, "Dominie Bogardus fulminated against

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them in the pulpit until he fairly drove them out of his congregation." The Governor retaliated by hiring drummers to make a great noise before the church during the sermons.

It was at the wedding of Adam Brouwer and Magdalena Verdon (our ancestors), that the Dominie made public criticisms concerning the Governor's Indian policies. The quarrel grew, Kieft accused the Minister of living too convivial a life and in turn was accused of incompetency. It was decided to place all charges before the West India Company in Amsterdam and the Governor and a few of his supporters and the Ministers with his witnesses, sailed on the "Princess" for Holland. Off the coast of Wales the ship went down and the two principals in the quarrel were drowned.

Most historians agree that VanTwiller and Kieft were incompetent Directors, and give the Minister the credit for fighting for the welfare of the Colony. Wilson, in his "Memorial History of New York City" says, "Dominie Bogardus was one of the most remarkable men of the Dutch period." Another historian says, "Rev. Everardus Bogardus was a powerful personality." Pictures of him and his wife, Anneke Janse, are in "Genealogy, History and Verse," by Sarah Ker-Hager. In Lambs "History of New York" the following description of him is given. "He was large, graceful, sinewy, strong, with a fine broad open frank face, high cheek bones, a dark piercing eye, and mouth expressive of the very electricity of good humor. He was not without his faults -- he had a hot hasty temper, was brusque in his manner and addicted to high living. His sterling qualities stood forth in such bold relief, that at the very mention of his name a figure seems to leap forth from the mist of centuries, instinct with hearty vigorous life."

James Riker, in his "History of Harlem" says "Full justice is yet to be done his memory."

Everardus Bogardus - born 1607, Woerden, Province of Utrecht, Holland; Graduate of Leyden University; Comforter of the Sick, in Guinea; Came to America in the ship "Zoutberg" in 1633; Ordained Dutch Minister in New Amsterdam, in 1633; Married Anneke Webber Janse, 1638; Died, 1647, by shipwreck.

References:

Corwins Manual, 4th Edition; O'Callaghans History of New Netherlands; Valentines Manual, 1863; Wilson's Memorial History of New York, New Amsterdam and its People, by John H. Innes.

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ANNEKE JANES

Grandmother of Annetti Bogardus, who married Jacob Brouwer.

Some historians weave about Anneke Janse, a romance that reads like a fairy story. It is such a delightful tale one would like to believe it, and it is with the greatest regret one opens histories that tell us her royal birth, in the King's palace, may or may not be true, and that the Princess may after all be just an attractive Dutch girl.

Tradition says Anneke Webber was a direct descendant of William the Silent, Prince of Orange. William of Orange had two children by a secret marriage whom he christened Sarah Webber and Wolfert Webber. Wolfert married Tryntje (Catherine) Jonas, and they had three children -- Wolfert, Anneke and Marritje. The fairy story tells us of the Royal Grandfathers great displeasure when Anneke married an agriculturist named Roeloff Jansen -- a respectable man but not of Royalty. To William the Silent's displeasure is attributed Anneke's migration to America and the royal fortune left in trust to future generations.

Ruth Putnam, in the "Half Moon Series," says, "Anneke Janse came of a respectable, but common family in Masterland Holland (probably Maasland) near Rotterdam," and adds, "there is no foundation to the rumor she descended from Royalty."

Whatever her birth, romance followed her to this country. After the death of Roeloff Jansen, Dominie Bogardus, one of the foremost citizens of New Amsterdam, "was so charmed by the Widow Jansen, he was willing to assume the care of her five children." They lived on Winckel Street, in one of the best houses in the village, had a garden bordered with box, the gayest flower beds in New Amsterdam, and a knocker on their door from Holland.

Anneke Webber was born in Holland (some say in the Kings Palace in 1604. She married Roeloff Jansen, and in 1630 came with him and her Mother and Sister Marritje on the bark "Pear Tree" to America. They went first to Beverwyck (now Albany) where Roeloff Jansen was employed as bouwmeester (chief farm superintendent) by Patroon Van Renssaelear. In 1633 the family moved to Manhattan Island where in 1636 a tract of land was obtained from Wouter Van Twiller, Director General of the Dutch West India Company. This land consisted of 62 acres west of Broadway, lying along the Hudson River, from the Battery past Park Row; land said to be the most valuable in the whole world today. Soon after receiving the land grant, Roeloff Jansen died, and as her home was a mile from the fort and without protection from the Indians, the widow with her children moved into the village of New Amsterdam. Anneke took the feminine form of her husbands name -- "Janse."

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The grant of land obtained from Governor Van Twiller was reconfirmed after the death of Roeloff Jansen, by Governor Stuyvesant. After the capture of the province by the English, the grant was confirmed to the heirs, who in 1671 sold the land to Governor Lovelace, who turned it over to the British Crown. During Queen Annes reign it was given to Trinity Parish, N.Y. At the time of the sale one of the heirs did not sign the deed and this flaw in the conveyance of the property was made on the basis of the famous litigation by the heirs of Anneke Janse, against the Trinity Corporation.

In 1638 Anneke Janse married Everardus Bogardus, the Minister of the Reformed Dutch Church. At the time of her second marriage she is described as "a small, well-formed woman with delicate features, transparent complexion, and bright beautiful eyes. She had a well balanced mind, a sunny disposition, winning manners and a kind heart."

Anneke's attractiveness was at least once the cause of trouble. A woman, imagining a slight by the Minister's wife, made public comments on the manner in which Mrs. Bogardus lifted her skirts, "to show her ankles." Suit was brought, and the slanderer fined, as Anneke convinced the Court she was protecting her wedding finery when she held up her skirts at muddy crossings. The defendant was not only fined, but her husband was ordered to pay his overdue subscription to the Dominie's Church.

Anneke Janse's mother, Tryntje Jonas was a professional nurse, employed by the Dutch West India Company. She has the distinction of having been the first medical woman to exercise her profession on Manhattan Island.

After the death, by shipwreck, of Everardus Bogardus, in 1647, Anneke moved back to her first home -- Albany -- where she died in 1663. A bronze tablet upon the Mechanics and Farmers Savings Bank, at the northeast corner of James and State Streets, marks the site of her home.

THE WEBBER-BOGARDUS FAMILIES

- I. Wolfert Webber, born 1582, Holland. Married 1600 Tryntje (Catherine) Jonas who died in 1646.

Children of Wolfert and Tryntje Jonas Webber:

Wolfert, born 1602; Anneke, born 1604; Marritje.

- II. Anneke Webber, born 1604, in Holland. Died 1663, Albany, N.Y. Married (1) Roeloff Jansen in Holland (2) 1638, married Everardus Bogardus, in New Amsterdam.

Anneke Janes Cont.

Children of Everardus and Anneke Janse Bogardus:

Willem, born November 2, 1639, New Amsterdam; Cornelis, bap. Sept. 9, 1640, New Amsterdam; Jonas, bap. Jan. 4, 1643, New Amsterdam; Pieter, bap. April 2, 1645, New Amsterdam.

III. Willem Bogardus, bap. November 2, 1639. Married August 29, 1657, Wyntie Sybrantse, New Amsterdam.

Children of Willem and Wyntie Sybrantse Bogardus:

Everardus, bap. November 2, 1659, New Amsterdam; Sytie, bap. March 16, 1661, New Amsterdam; Annettie, bap. October 3, 1663, New Amsterdam; Cornelia, bap. August 25, 1669, New York; Everardus, bap. December 4, 1675, New York.

From "Hudson and Mohawk Valleys."

There is a facsimile of the autograph of William Bogardus in Vallentines Manual, 1862. William Bogardus was Postmaster of New York in 1687.

IV. Annettie Bogardus, married Jacob Brouwer, son of Adam Brouwer.

References, "Southern New York Genealogy."

"Genealogy, History and Verse," by Sarah B.F. Ker-Hager.

"Anneke Janse Farm," by Ruth Putnam.

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DR. JOHANNES DE LA MONTAGNE

Great Grandfather of Petronelia De La Montagne, who married Jacob Brouwer, Jr.

Dr. Johannes De La Montagne, has the distinction of being the first physician on Manhattan Island. He was one of the most cultured and best educated of the early settlers of New Netherlands. James Riker in his "History of Harlem," speaks of him as "Our very learned Doctor."

In the Province of Saintong, France, lying along the Bay of Biscay, Jean De La Montagne was born in 1595. His family, among the first to flee from religious persecution, moved to Holland and the son Jean studied medicine in Leyden University.

While a student he married Rachel, daughter of Jesse DeForest, a French Huguenot from Avesnes, Province of Hainault, living then in Leyden. Riker says, "Jesse DeForest stood prominent among French refugees." He was a master artisan -- licensed by the magistrates to dye serges and camlets in colors. This license was a "tribute to his skill," as the Leyden trade in dyed goods depended on the beauty and permanence of colors. He married Marie Du Cloux before leaving France.

In 1637, eleven years after his marriage, Dr. Johannes De La Montagne, his wife and three children came to America. On the sea Marie was born. Almost immediately after his arrival in New Netherlands, Governor Kieft made Dr. De La Montagne a member of his Council. This office he continued to hold under Peter Stuyvesant, until appointed Vice Director at Fort Orange in 1656. Politics appealed to him more strongly than his profession and he gradually gave up his practice of medicine.

Dr. De La Montagne bought 200 acres of land on Manhattan Island which lay east of the present 8th Avenue, between 93d Street and Harlem River. For this farm he paid \$720.00. He named it "Vredendal" (Quiet Dale). A spring on this land still flows in Central Park. Its source is on a line of 105th Street, 200 feet west of 6th Avenue. It is now piped to the foot of the hill. A translation of the patent of this land, granted by Governor Kieft, is given in Rikers "History of Harlem," page 150.

Dr. Johannes De La Montagne was appointed to the Chief Military Command of the Dutch Colony in 1640, and in 1643-44 led several expeditions against the Indians. At a grand council held in Fort Amsterdam, August 10, 1645, peace was concluded between the Indians and the Dutch settlers. Dr. De La Montagne was one of the signers of the treaty. It is believed he accompanied Governor Stuyvesant to Holland and died there about 1670.

Dr. Johannes De La Montagne Cont.

Dr. De La Montagne's eldest son, often spoken of as "La Montagne" was the first town clerk of Harlem, and is mentioned in histories as "One of the most useful and honored inhabitants." He married Petronella Picques in Slooterdyk, a suburb of Amsterdam, Holland. One of their sons, Vincent lived to be a hundred and sixteen years of age.

Their son Jan married Annetie Waldron, the daughter of Joseph Waldron (a book printer, who came to America in 1652), and Annetie Daniels, and granddaughter of Resolved Waldron of Amsterdam, Holland, of English family.

THE DE LA MONTAGNE FAMILY

- I. Jean De La Montagne (Dr. Johannes), born 1595, in the Province of Saintong, France. Died about 1670, Amsterdam, Holland. Married December 12, 1626, Rachel De Forest, Leyden, Holland.

Children of Dr. Johannes and Rachel De Forest De La Montagne:

Jesse, born in Holland. Died before 1660; Jean, born 1632 in Holland; Rachel, born 1634, in Holland. Married Surgeon Guysbert Van Imbroeck; Marie, born Jan. 26, 1637 at sea. Married Feb. 14, 1654, Jacobus Hendricks.

From Rickers, "History of Harlem."

- II. Jean De La Montagne, born 1632, in Leyden, Holland. Came to America with his parents in 1637. Died 1672. Married March 14, 1654, Petronella Picques, in Slooterdyk, Holland.

Children of Jean and Petronella Piques De La Montagne:

Jan, bap. October 21, 1655, Amsterdam, Holland; Vincent, born April 22, 1657. Died, 1773. (Lived 116 years). Nicasiu, born April 9, 1659. Died, 1703. Married Christina Roosevelt; Abraham, born March 16, 1664. Died 1734. Married Rebecca Idens; Isaac, born May 19, 1669. Died 1703. Married Ester Van Voorst; Petronella, born March 14, 1671. Married Peter See; Johanna, born April 16, 1673. Married Johannes Vredenburg; Alvan; Jelente, Married Bosteaen Kortnight.

From "The Hudson River Valleys," by Cuyler Reynolds. "New York Genealogical and Biographical History."

- III. Jan De La Montagne, bap. October 21, 1655 in Amsterdam, Holland. Died July 12, 1730, in New York. Married October 9, 1678, Annetie Waldron, born 1657.

Children of Jan and Annetie Waldron De La Montagne:

Annetie, bap. July 16, 1679; Johannes, bap. January 19, 1681; Petronella, bap. April 7, 1683; Joseph, Bap. December 1, 1684; Jesse, bap. January 19, 1687; Abraham, bap. November 25, 1688;

Dr. Johannes De La Montagne Cont.

Rachel, bap. March 8, 1691; Jacob, bap. June 25, 1693; Marritje, bap. September 29, 1695.

From "New York Genealogical and Biographical History."

IV. Petronella De La Montagne, bap. April 7, 1683. Married October 28, 1709, Jacob Brouwer.

Fr. Ancient Families of New York, by Edwin R. Purple.

THE DE FOREST FAMILY

- I. Melchoir De Forest, Married 1533, Catherine De Fosset, of Mons, France.
- II. Jean De Forest, first Protestant of his family. Married Anne Maillard.
- III. Jesse De Forest, born about 1575, Avesnes, France. Married September 23, 1601, Marie Du Cloux, Sedan, France.
- IV. Rachel De Forest, born about 1609. Married December 12, 1626. Dr. Johannes De La Montagne.

From "The Hudson and Mohawk Valleys."
"History of the Van Norden Family."

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THE CONEWAGO COLONY

Romantic as we think of it today, and rich in interest, is the Colonization of Conewago, Pennsylvania, by French Huguenots and Dutch settlers from New Jersey. The farm lands along the Raritan River were among the best in America, yet their owners left them -- perhaps influenced by the tendency of the times to "go west" -- and went to what was then the extreme Western frontier. Three miles south of the present city of Gettysburg, Pa., on Conewago Creek, the Colony was established. Fully one third of these settlers were from the neighborhood of Neshanic and Millstone, in Somerset County, New Jersey.

The colonization of Conewago began about 1765. Little, if anything would be known of it today if the records of the Conewago Reformed Dutch Church had not been found. On its pages are names contained in this record -- Brower, VanArsdale, Cozine, Banta and Demarest. Historians say the DeMotte family was represented there. It was in Conewago two of John and Jannetie VanArsdale Brower's children -- Garret and David -- were born.

During the first years of the Colony, ministers traveled the 150 miles from the old New Jersey home to the Pennsylvania settlement to hold occasional services. A church was built in 1768 or 1769, a barn-like structure of boards on a stone foundation. In 1772 the Rev. Cornelius Cozine was called as a regular pastor and until 1793 the church was in a flourishing condition. At one time about 1000 persons lived in the Colony.

In 1780 fifty heads of families left for Kentucky and the next year other families followed. Mr. H.A. Scomp, of Kentucky, wrote, "On April 10, 1793, the largest number started over the mountains for the cane land of 'Kaintuckee,' over the Wilderness road. They always rested on Sunday and held divine services. When they reached the upper waters of the Ohio, they flat-boated it to Maysville, where they set the great wagons in motion for the Upper Salt River, about Herrods Station."

After 1793, the colony gradually declined, and in a few years was deserted. The reason for the abandonment is not known.

In 1905 the Church yard of Conewago was still enclosed, but scarcely any grave stones were visible.

Mr. A. VanDoren Honeyman says, in the Somerset, New Jersey, Historical Quarterly, Vol. 4, "A few stones left on the wall of the edifice, grass, trees, the twittering of birds, are all that now remain to tell us of the sermons and the worship on that spot for thirty years, of an active church life.

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THE MUD MEETING HOUSE

The Conewago Church is called the Mother of the Mud Meeting House, in Mercer County, Kentucky. In 1796, Peter LaBagh was sent by the Reformed Dutch Church Classis at New Brunswick, New Jersey, to preach in Kentucky. While there he organized the settlers on Salt River -- many of them Conewago Colonists -- into a church. In 1800 a church building was erected -- the historic Mud Meeting House. Its walls were of uprights interlaced with sticks and mortar. At one time John DeMotte donated fifteen pounds in trade, toward the cost of the church, and Lawrence DeMotte and his son Peter DeMotte each gave a fat steer.

Mr. H. A. Scomp, at a Centennial celebration of the founding of the Mud Meeting House, said of its French Huguenot and Dutch founders, "They brought their church, red with the blood of its martyrs, with them from beyond the ocean, and the peaceful fruits of righteousness everywhere began to appear."

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Epke Jacobske Banta 1620-1690
Portrait by Rubens 1652

BANTA FAMILY

Jacobse Epke Banta (1620-1690) came from near Harlinger, Friesland, Holland, in the "DeTrouw" in 1659 with his wife Sitska and five sons. He settled at Flushing, Queen's County, N.Y., but removed before 1675 to Bergen (now Jersey City). He was Judge there in 1679 and a member of the Court of Oyer and Terminer. His wife Sitska was born in 1624 and died about 1675.

Children of Jacobse Epke and Sitska Banta:

- I. Cornelius Epke, born 1652, will proved in 1719. Married (1) Jannetie DePre (or DuPri) born 1662; died 1697. (2) Magdalena Demarest, born 1680; died about 1714. (3) Abeltie (Sloot or Slott) Van Orden (or Norden) a widow.
- II. Sebe Epke, born 1654, married Mary Arianse Sip.
- III. Hendrick Epke, born 1655. Married (1) Maria Lubbertse Westervelt. (2) Angenetie Hendricks.
- IV. Derrick Epke, born 1657, Married Ester Dedricks.
- V. Weart (or Wiert) Epke, born May 1658; died 1692. Married Gerritje de Mandeville, born 1663 and died about 1714. Was the daughter of Giles Jansen and Elsie (Hendricks) de Mandeville. Giles and Elsie de Mandeville were married in 1649. Elsie was born about 1629, Giles died in 1701. They also came over in the "DeTrouw."

From the Compendium of American Gen., by F.A. Virkurs, Vol. IV, Page, 296.

- III. Hendricks Epke Banta, the third son of Jacobse and Sitska Banta married at Bergen, N.J. November 17, 1678 to Maritje Lubbertse Westervelt "in the presence of the court." He married the second time to Angenitie Hendricks.

In 1700 he signed the Remonstrance to the King. A deed dated June 10, 1708, acknowledged July 19, 1717, and recorded in Book A of Deeds, page 85, at Hackensack, sets forth that Hendrick Epke Banta, Yoeman of Hackensack, sold to his son, Jacob Hendrick, a plot of land. This deed indicated that Hendrick owned land adjoining on the south of that sold by his father in 1685.

Hendrick, son of Hendrick Epke and Maritje Lubbertse (Westervelt) Banta, was born June 13, 1696, Married at Hackensack January 12, 1717, to Geetrery Terhune, daughter of Albert and Wyntie (Brickers) Terhune, Jr. She was baptized November 4, 1694. (Albert and Wyntie Terhune were married in 1693). Hendricks Banta was a blacksmith.

From "A Friesian Family" Banta Gen. Page 28.

Banta Family continued

Albert, son of Hendricks and Geetrery (Terhune) Banta was born August 29, 1728. Married November 20, 1756 at Schraalenburg to Magdalena Van Voorhees, daughter of Petrus and Geesjean (Romeyn) Van Voorhees, Albert was church Warden at Hackensack in 1761 and Elder in 1765. He was chosen Freeholder of the township of Hackensack in 1772 and 1781. During the Revolutionary War his property was destroyed by the British for which he received 634 pounds in settlement from the U.S. Government. He sold his farm at Schraalenburg, June 2, 1784 and removed to Kentucky, Settling near Harrodsburg, where he died September 20, 1810 and his wife died July 15, of the same year.

Children of Albert and Magdalena (Van Voorhees) Banta:

1. Hendrick, born January 31, 1758. Married Rachel Hopper.
2. Petrius, born May 17, 1760. Married Rachel Van Clefe, born November 26, 1762, died April 26, 1842.
3. Daniel, born September 13, 1762. Married Mary Voorhees.
4. Albert, born November 5, 1764, died July 22, 1776.
5. Samuel, born December 9, 1766, died July 20, 1776.
6. Geertrude, born March 30, 1769, died July 22, 1776.
7. Jacob, born March 13, 1771. Married January 5, 1795, Mary Banta, born August 19, 1778.
8. Geesie, born August 3, 1773. Married Luke Voorhees.
9. Marie, born January 11, 1776. Not married. Died 1835.
10. Gerrittie (Charity), born December 15, 1778. Married Hendrick Banta.

From "A Friesian Family" Page 61.

7. Jacob, son of Albert and Magdalina (Van Voorhees) Banta, born March 13, 1771. Married January 5, 1795 to Mary Banta, born August 19, 1778, the daughter of David and Phoebe (Femmente Brouwer). She died September 16, 1853, in Illinois. Jacob was a farmer in Kentucky. Removing in 1832 to Illinois where he bought a farm in Holland's Grove, Tazewell County, "a beautiful grove extending for miles along the Illinois River." He was a man of most excellent judgment and very sympathetic in his nature. In his old age he sold his farm to his son David with whom he made his home until the end of his days."

Children of Jacob and Mary (Banta) Banta:

1. Lena, born October 23, 1796. Died in infancy.
2. Phoebe, born April 7, 1799. Married Lawrence DeMotte.
3. David, born July 9, 1801. Married Sarah DeMotte.
4. Mary, born March 18, 1804. Married Andrew Anderson.
5. Albert, born September 15, 1806. Married Rachel Cominggore.
6. Cornelius, born July 3, 1809. Married (1) Elizabeth Stine (2) Elizabeth Johnson.
7. Jacob, born February 29, 1811. Married Mattie Kindig.
8. Jane, born February 4, 1813. Married George Ray.

Banta Family continued

9. Rachel, born July 18, 1815. Married John Stine.
10. William, born February 15, 1818. Married Elvira Page.

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Wiert Epke, fifth son of Epke Jacobse and Sitska Banta was born May 1658 and died in 1692. Married Gerritje de Mandeville, born about 1663. Died about 1714. She was the daughter of Giles Jansen and Elsie (Hendricks) de Mandeville.

Hendrick Wiert, son of Wiert Epke and Gerritje Banta, was born 1685 and died 1750. He married in 1715 to Catherine Lotts, born about 1696 and died about 1754.

John Hendrick, son of Hendrick Wiert and Catherine (Loots or Lotts) Banta, was born 1728, died 1786. He married (1) Trientje (Catherine) Demarest, born January 13, bap. February 6, 1726 at Hackensack, N.J., died about 1767. She was the daughter of David and Maretie (Lozier) Demarest.

From Compendium of American Gen., by F.A. Virkus, Vol. IV, page 296.

The Demarest Family by Mary A and Wm. H.S. Demarest, page 84, gives John Hendrick's birth date as June 3, 1723 and states that he was of Closter and that they were married on December 10, 1747, at Schraalenburgh. Also after Catherine died, about 1768, her husband (John Banta) married a second time, April 12, 1769, to Cornelia (Huyler) the widow of Christian Helm, by whom he had four children. They lived at Tea Neck, afterwards at Closter. His house and barn were destroyed by the Torries during the Revolutionary War, headed by a neighbor, Colonel Van Buskirk, the Old Closter Raid of May 10, 1779, damages were awarded in the amount of 457 pounds. He died 1786 at Closters. From D.A.R. Lineage Books, Vol. 162, page 76, National No. 161244, "John Hendricks Banta served as a Private in the Bergen County Troops. Born in Hackensack. Died in Trenton."

On page 65 in "A Friesian Family" states that John and Catherine Banta were members of the church at Schraalenburgh in 1758. Also mentions his second marriage to Cornelia (Huyler), widow of Christian Helm. She was born May 2, 1736, died April 20, 1829. John Hendrick's will was dated December 1785, recorded in Trenton, February 24, 1786.

Children of John Hendrick and Catherine (Trientje Demarest) Banta:

Hendrick, born December 4, baptised December 11, 1748. Died in infancy; David, born August 16, baptised August 1751. Married Femmetie Brouwer; Maria, born August 4, baptised August 25, 1754. Married Captain James Christie (Rev. soldier).

Wiert, born June 7, baptised July 3, 1757 at Schraalenburgh. Married (1) Jacomyntie Christie (2) Altie Zabriskie. He was a

Banta Family continued

Private in Bergen County Militia. Died November 6, 1819. Is buried at South (Schraalenburgh) Church - 9th row, 1st grave. (Stone poor condition, marker S.A.R.)

David, son of John and Catherine Banta, went to Conewago, Pa., with the New Jersey Colonists and there married Femmetie (Phoebe) Brouwer, born 1755. They had two children, Johannes and Mary. Johannes drowned when he was two years old. David was killed by the Indians prior to 1785. His widow Femmetie, married Cornelius Demaree and with her daughter Mary they removed to Mercer County, Kentucky.

Children of David and Phoebe Brouwer Banta:

Johannes, born January 26, 1777, died 1779; Mary, born August 19, 1778. Married Jacob Banta, son of Albert and Geetrery (Terhune) Banta.

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Trientje Demarest married John Hendrick Banta of Closter, December 10, 1747, at Schraalenburgh (South Church today in Bergenfield). He was a son of Hendrick Banta and Trientje Loots. He was born June 3, 1723. Trientje (or Catherine) died about 1767. Hendrick married secondly to Cornelia Huyler, a widow of Christian Helm, on April 12, 1769 by whom he had four children. (Harlem Register, Page 142 and Banta Genealogy, Page 36.) They lived in Teaneck. Later at Closter. Their home and barn was burned by Tories in the Revolutionary War, headed by a neighbor, Colonel Van Buskirk, the old Closter raid of May 10th, 1779. Damages were awarded, 457 pounds. He died February, 1786 at Closter.

Children of First Marriage:

Hendrick, born December 4, baptised December 11, 1748. Died in infancy; David, born August 16, baptised August 1751. Married Femmetie Brouwer; Maria, born August 4, baptised August 25, 1754. Married Captain James Christie (Rev.); Wiert, born June 7, baptised July 3, 1757 at Schraalenburgh. Married Jacomyntie Christie and secondly - Altie Zabriskie. He was a Private in Bergen County Militia. Died November 6, 1819. Is buried at South (Schraalenburgh) Church - 9th row, 1st grave. Stone poor condition, marker S.A.R.

Trientje Demarest No. 205 was a daughter of David Demarest No. 70, Page 46 and wife Martie Lozier. They were married at Hackensack, June 3, 1721, both of Hackensack. She was the daughter of Nicholas Lozier and Trintje Slot and baptised May 11, 1701 at Hackensack. An old paper gives date of marriage as June 23, it may be that the recorded June 3 was the date of the banns. She died March 30, 1728 (Banta Gen. Page 24). David Demarest married a second time to Catherina Van Houten (banns January 8) February 7, 1729. She was the daughter of Nicholas Van Houten and Margaret Haring.

David's will was written December 18, 1763 with a codicil written March 28, 1767, and probated February 24, 1768 at Trenton, (Liber L. Page 246) so his death was about that time. He made his wife Catherine executrix. (New Jersey Archives, Vol. 33, Page 112. Will Abstract of David Demarest). Wife Catrine; she to manage the plantation where I now live while my widow. Eldest son Nicholas the mare I gave him when he married and the land he now has so as to make 25 a., he paying my daughter Elizabeth 11 pounds and to my daughter Gertee 11 pounds and to my daughter Lidia 11 pounds; and my sons Petrus, David, Gileyam and Jacobus each twenty five acres of land called the Gore. Sons Samuel and Garret the plantation where I live except 25 a. to Nicholas; Wife Catrina 100 pounds which I had from her father Van Houte; daughter Sara 25 pounds, daughter Trintje 50 pounds, daughter Marya 50 pounds. Executors wife Catrina, son Nicholas, son David and my cousin

Demarest Family Cont.

Johannes Demarest, Witnesses Jacobus Brinkerhoff, Isaac Bogert and Jan Eckerson. Codicil to child, of Sara - each 5 pounds. Witnesses Johannes Demarest, (Inventory 657 L 2s 6d. by Demarest and Rynier Quackenbush.

David was a member of the first recorded Provincial Assembly of New Jersey in 1730.

By First Marriage - (Maritie Lozier):

No. 203 Sara, born March 25, baptised March 26, 1722, at Hackensack.
No. 204 Niclaes, born January 17, baptised February 2, 1724 at Hackensack.

No. 205 Trientje, born January 13, baptised February 6, 1726 at Hackensack.

By Second Marriage (Catherina Van Houten).

No. 206 David, Maria, Gretchen; Petrus, Guliam, Elizabeth, Jacobus, Samuel, Margrietje, Lydia, Gerred.

David Demarest No. 70 was the son of David Demarest and Sara Bertholf.

David Demarest No. 20, Page 24. Married Sara the eldest daughter of the Reverend Guiliam Bertholf and Martyntie Hendriekse Vermeulen on April 24, 1697 at Hackensack. She was baptised at Sluis, Walcheren, April 8, 1677, where her parents were married April 15, 1676. David joined the Hackensack Church by letter from the French Church and letter from the New York Church July 10, 1696. They lived on the east of Hackensack. Both are buried in the Old French Huguenot Cemetery. The inscriptions on the stones - D.D.M.R. 1759, aged 83 years, 8 mos.; S.D.M.R. 1758 aged 81 years, 4 mos. The Will of David Demarest is dated November 8, 1758, probated March 4, 1760, it is filed at Trenton. In it he speaks of his eldest son David as guardian of William's son David and to him he gives a seat place in the church. He speaks also of David and Jacobus, sons of Jacobus. These sons of David Demarest, William and Jacobus had died earlier. He also leaves bequests to his daughters Rachel, Mary, Elizabeth, Sara, Anna, Martintie or their children. Sara the daughter of Elizabeth was given her grandmother's seat in the church. The general property was divided into nine equal shares. The witnesses to the will were Johannes Demarest and Peter Demarest. David was a man of position and influence, of public office. High Sheriff of Bergen County, 1714. Justice of the peace - 1721, 1722, 1738, 1744. Judge of Court of Pleas and Quorums 1738-49. Member of 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, Provincial Assembly. Member of Board of Freeholders of the County. He was a large land owner in Bergen County and Essex County.

Their Children -

No. 70 David, born January 3, baptised January 15, 1699 at Hackensack.
No. 71 Guillaume, born December 29, 1700, baptised January 1, 1701 at Hackensack - D - 1714.
No. 72 Jacobus, born May 19, baptised May 30, 1703, Hackensack.

Demarest Family Cont.

- No. 73 Martina, born March 11, baptised March 18, 1705, Hackensack.
No. 74 Rachel, born June 3, baptised June 15, 1707, Hackensack.
No. 75 Maria, born November 17, baptised November 27, 1709,
Hackensack.
No. 76 Lydia, baptised March 16, 1712, Hackensack.
No. 77 Elizabeth, born May 29, baptised May 30, 1714, Hackensack.
No. 78 Guillaume, born July 31, baptised August 5, 1716, Hackensack.
No. 79 Sara, born December 21, baptised December 26, 1718,
Hackensack.
No. 80 Annatje, born February 4, baptised February 5, 1725, Hackensack.

David Demarest No. 20 was the son David Demarest and Rachel Cresson.

David Demarest No. 4, Page 15 married Rachel Creeson, daughter of Pierre Cresson, April 4, 1675. She was born at Delft about 1656. The marriage notice March 7, the banns apparently reads, "April 4, 1675, David DeMareez De jonge j.m. Van Mannheim, Rachel Cresson, j.d. Van Delft bij wonende op N. Harlem". He received into the New York Church May 30, 1672; she was received December 7, 1673. He died before or after or in August 1691. A legal paper of that date speaks of the heirs of David Des Marest, Jr. Tradition says that he was killed by a falling tree. He left no will. After his death his widow joined the Hackensack Church from the French Huguenot Church at Kinderhook (today this is New Milford, N.J.) which she and her husband had joined from the Bergen Church (today Bergen is Jersey City, N.J.). David, having left no will, Jan Durie, cousin, was appointed to look after the interests of the children and he later married the widow. At Jan Durie's death, his will dated June 10, 1698, administration was granted his wife Rachel. He had married before and his surviving children, minors, were all by his first wife. Samuel Demarest was appointed their guardian and Jan Des Marest was a witness. Rachel Cresson married a third time, Roelof Vander-Linde on April 25, 1702, at Hackensack. She survived him. David's name appears often in the Harlem Records. He subscribed towards the salary of the parish clerk and school master, the voorleser; and later he refused to make such subscription. He was in the watch organized against the Indians and he is spoken of as a "former fence master." With his father David Sr., he contracted March 12, 1677, to sell their property in Harlem to Paulus Richards. They reserved the right to occupy their dwellings until May 1, 1678. David Junior settled his accounts in full with the town April 23, 1677, his father making his settlement three days later, and soon left for the Hackensack. He was received into the Bergen Church, October 7, 1677, with all others of the family, save his father who kept his membership in the New York Church.

Their Children.

- No. 20 David baptised February 19, 1676 at N.Y.
No. 21 Peter baptised April 21, 1677 at N.Y., died in infancy.
No. 22 Susanna, baptised April 7, 1679 at Bergen.
No. 23 Rachel, baptised June 4, 1680 at Bergen.
No. 24 Jacobus baptised October 30, 1681 at Flatbush, N.Y.

Demarest Family Cont.

- No. 25 Samuel, probably about 1683, baptised in French Church, N.J.
No. 26 Daniel, born February 1, 1685 (old Dutch Bible in possession of Dr. Wm. H.S. Demarest of New Brunswick).
No. 27 Mary, born probably about 1687, baptised in French Church.
No. 28 Lydia, born probably about 1689, baptised in French Church.
No. 29 Benjamin, probably about 1691, baptised in French Church.

David Demarest No. 4 was the son of David Demarest and Maria Schier.

David Demarest No. 1, on Page 13, married Marie Schier July 24, 1643 at the French Church, Middleburg, on the Island of Walcheren, Zeeland. She was the daughter of Francois Schier from Nieppe, a town of Hainault. They lived in Middleburg from the time of their marriage until 1651. They then removed to Mannheim, in the Palatinate. In 1663 they migrated to America. Locating on Staten Island, they remained there two years. There David des Marest was appointed at once, 1664, a magistrate, also delegate with Pierre Billiou to conference concerning protection from the Indians; also delegate to the Provincial Assembly of New Netherland. In 1664 he removed to New Harlem, which place he remained twelve and a half years. There he was chosen overseer, constable, schepen. In 1677 the family removed again, to the French Patent on the Hackensack (River). Marie Schier des Marest died, it is thought, just at this time. David des Marest died in 1693. His Will had been made jointly by him and his wife when they were in New Harlem in February 1, 1672. His last will was made August 26, 1689 and probated July 30, 1697. He left to his maid, Anna Counk, housekeeper no doubt after the death of his wife, one hundred acres of land.

Their children.

- No. 2 Jean, baptised April 14, 1645 at Middleburg.
No. 3 David, Bap. June 22, 1649, at Middleburg, died infancy.
No. 4 David, Born December 20, Bap. December 24, 1651, Mannheim.
No. 5 Samuel, Born August 5, Bap. August 10, 1656, Mannheim.
No. 6 Marie, Born March 27, Bap. April 10, 1656, Mannheim, died infancy.
No. 7 Marie, Born May 17, Bap. May 19, 1662, Mannheim, died young.
No. 8 Daniel, Born at New Harlem, Bap. July 7, 1666, recorded in the Doep Boek of the Dutch Church of New York, Died accident January 8, 1672.

Record of the Walloon and Huguenot Church, Middleburg.

Marriage: 1643, 4 juillet. Assiste de Jean Marets et Francois Schier, Marguerite de Herville et Marguerite Schier; David de Marets, fils de Jean, natif de Beauchamps et Marie Schier, fille de Francois, native de Nieppe, et le 19 juillet.

Entry - Emigrant's Account Book

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MILITARY RECORDS

William Milton DeMotte

Son of John and Suannah (DeBruler) DeMotte, born January 5, 1846. Civil War. Enlisted January 1864 in the 10th Indiana Cavalry. Discharged May 1865.

William Davidson

Son of Eva (DeMotte) and Ralph Davidson, born September 21, 1898, Otwell, Indiana. World War I, Sgt. 166th Aero Squadron.

Louis B. DeMotte

Son of John H. and Edith (Hancock) DeMotte, born February 27, 1909, Otwell, Indiana. World War II. Technician 5th grade. Enlisted October 19, 1943 at Fort McArthur, San Pedro, California. Discharged December 16, 1945. Served in the South Pacific.

Walter A. DeMotte

Son of John H. and Edith (Hancock) DeMotte, born March 4, 1921, Otwell, Indiana. World War II, A.M. 2/c C A S U F 34. Enlisted at Fort McArthur, San Pedro, California. Discharged February 26, 1946, at San Pedro, Calif.

William H. DeMotte

Son of John H. and Edith (Hancock) DeMotte, born April 4, 1916, Otwell, Indiana. World War II. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Demolition Specialist. Inducted April 1945. Discharged March 1946.

Ellis J. DeMotte

Son of John and Edith (Hancock) DeMotte, born October 19, 1924, Otwell, Indiana. World War II, Corporal 347 Inf., 87th Div.

Horace L. Dillon

Son of Marjorie (DeMotte) and Tony Dillon, born March 20, 1933. Entered U.S. Army, June 11, 1953, Pvt. Co. A. 33rd Med. Lk. Bn. C C B 3rd Armored Div.

George Charles DeMotte

Son of Frank Mark and Eddith (Thomas) DeMotte, born September 1, 1918, Algiers, Ind. Served in World War II, St. Sgt. U.S. Army Medical Corps. South Pacific.

Charles DeMotte Fisher

Son of Elizabeth (DeMotte) and Carl Fisher, born October 23, 1916 near Petersburg, Ind. Corporal U.S. Army, 7th Division, Pacific Area. Served five years. Re-entered U.S. Army, July 1950.

Military Records continued

Mark Roger Fisher

Son of Elizabeth (DeMotte) and Carl Fisher, born January 6, 1920, Otwell, Indiana. Served in World War II. U.S. Navy as Gunners Mate on U.S.S. Aaron Ward D.M. 34.

Max Edgar Fisher

Son of Elizabeth (DeMotte) and Carl Fisher, born October 18, 1921, near Petersburg, Ind. Served in World War II. Lt. in U.S. Navy (Sub Chaser).

Carl Edward Fisher, Jr.

Son of Elizabeth (DeMotte) and Carl Fisher, born October 19, 1923, Pike Co., Ind. Served in World War II. Lt. (Jg) Naval Pilot.

John Lawrence Fisher

Son of Elizabeth (DeMotte) and Carl Fisher, born March 19, 1926, near Algiers, Indiana. Served in World War II. U.S. Navy. Aviation Machinist Mate 2nd Class.

Mark Lawrence DeMotte

Son of John and Nancy (Stillwell) DeMotte, served in 114 Engineers in France.

Morris DeMotte

Son of Elvis and Carrie Coleman DeMotte, served in World War II.

Roy Howard DeMotte

Son of Howard and Ruth (Bradfield) DeMotte, served in World War II.

Benjamin Osgathorpe

Son of Benjamin and Grace Osgathorpe. Died in service during World War II.

Oliver Dale DeMotte

Son of Albert and Jessie (Postlewaite) DeMotte, served in Navy, World War II.

Russell DeMotte

Son of Jerome and Olive (Vest) DeMotte, Commander in Navy, World War II.

John Waldo

Son of Florence (DeMotte) and Ralph Waldo. Lt. in Air Corps. Pilot in Pacific, World War II.

James McLaughlin

Son of Charlotte (DeMotte) and Milton McLaughlin. Captain in Medical Corps, World War II.

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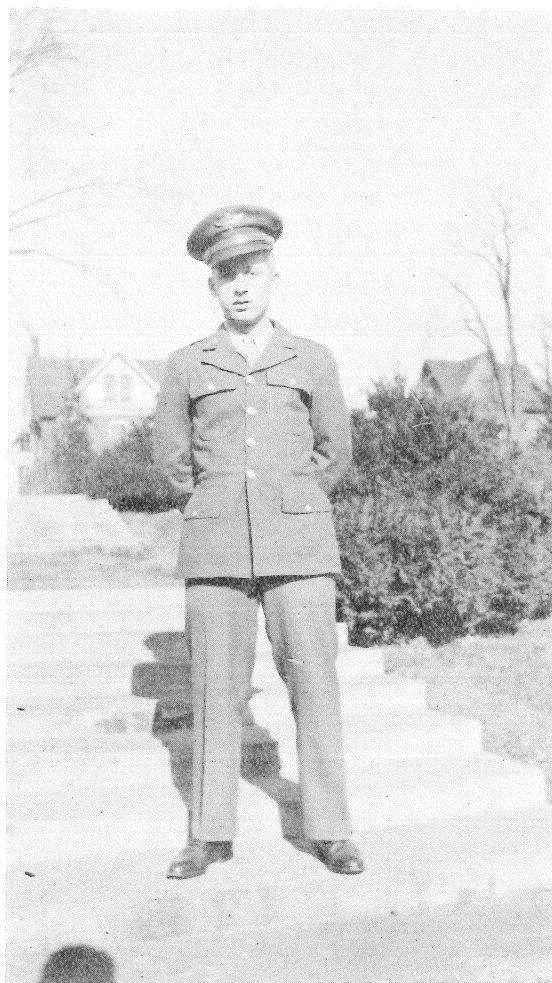
Lt. John William DeMotte
Artillery observation officer, Vietnam War.

St. Sgt. Lloyd DeMotte
Combat Infantry, Vietnam War.

Mark Lawrence De Motte , served in Co. D. 114th Engineers in
France in the Argonne Offensive. In The A.E.F.

CIVIL WAR (Cont)

Lt Harvey Clelland De Motte, Lt. Co. G., 68 Illinois Vols.
1862- 65.



Ellis J. DeMotte
87th Inf. Div. 1945

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Taken From "Kith & Kin"

Colonial Wars

Dr. Johannes De La Montagne

was appointed to the Chief Military Command of the Dutch West India Colony by Governor Keift. He led the Colonial forces against the Indians in 1643 and 1644. Peace was concluded between the Colonists and the Indians at a grand council held in Fort Amsterdam, August 30, 1645. Dr. De La Montagne, was one of the signers of the treaty.

Reference "History of Harlem", by James Riker.

Revolutionary War

Daniel Brouwer

Dutchess County, N.Y. Militia, 2d Regiment, 2d Artillery, Private under Captains Brinkerhoff, Brown and Bunschoten and Colonel Abraham Brinkerhoff.

Ref.: "New York in the Revolution," by James Roberts, Page 240. "History of Dutchess Co., N.Y." by Hasbrouck, Page 141. Accepted papers of Mrs. Mary H. Forney, daughters of the American Revolution, Memorial Continental Hall.

Lawrence DeMotte

Served as Private, Captain Conrad Ten Eycks Company, Colonial Abraham Quick's 2d Regiment, Somerset Co., New Jersey Militia 1776. Private Captain John Sebring's Co., Colonel Frederick Frelinghuysen's 1st Regiment, Somerset Co., New Jersey Militia, 1778. Private, Captain Sebring's Co., Colonel Frelinghuysen's 1st Regiment, Somerset Co., New Jersey Militia, 1780 and served under command of Colonel Silvanus Seely.

Ref: New Jersey Adjutant General's Office, Trenton, N.J.

Civil War

John Brewer DeMotte, Jr.

118 Indiana Infantry. Served one year at age of 15. Mostly with General Burnside's Army around Knoxville, Tennessee.

Mark L. DeMotte

4th Battery, Indiana Light Artillery, organized September 30, 1861. Commissioned 1st Lt., Michigan City Artillery Company,

Military Records continued

9th Regiment of Indiana Volunteer Militia, September 15, 1861. Resigned March 8, 1862. Appointed Assistant Quartermaster of Volunteers with rank of Captain. Commission signed by President Lincoln and Sec. Stanton dated April 18, 1862. Commissioned May 18, 1864 to same duties with same rank.

Spanish American War

Lauren Case

Son of Marvin T. and Elizabeth DeMotte Case.

World War I

Lawrence Washburn DeMotte

Son of John B. and Lelia Washburn DeMotte. 1st Officers Training Camp, Fort McPherson, Georgia. Commissioned First Lieutenant, August 15, 1917. Headquarters 82d Division, Camp Gordon, Georgia. Personnel Adjutant of 82d Division. Personnel Adjutant of Camp Gordon. Personnel Adjutant of Camp McClellan, Alabama. Personnel Adjutant of Base Section, No. 2, Bordeaux, France. Commissioned Captain, January, 1918. Commissioned Major, July 1918. In Service from May 11, 1917 to August 7, 1919.

William DeMotte Gates

Son of Eugene A. and Catherine DeMotte Gates. 44th Company, 4th Provisional Regiment, 161 Depot Brigade. Private. Died in service, October 1, 1918.

Lawton Morrison Hanna

Son of James and Frances Morrison Hanna. Enlisted May 5, 1917, Fort Logan, Colorado. Assigned to 1st Co., Coast Artillery Corps, Ft. Barry, Calif., May 10, 1917. Attached to 3rd C.A.C. Band, Ft. Winfield Scott, Calif. Appointed Band Corporal, Nov. 22, 1917. Transferred to Headquarters Co., 363rd Infantry, 91st Division, Camp Lewis, Washington, November 13, 1917. Made Band Corporal and served as Drum Major. Sailed for France, July 7, 1918 on "City of Cairo" from Philadelphia. In active service in France. Honorably discharged at San Francisco, California, April 26, 1919.

John DeMotte Morrison

Son of John F. and Jennie Patterson Morrison. Enlisted, June 1917 in Indiana National Guard, Battery A, 1st Field Artillery. Mustered into Federal Service, Battery A, 150th Field Artillery, 42d Division, (Rainbow Division) at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. Sailed for France on U.S. Lincoln, October 18, 1917. Landed at St. Nazaree, France October 31, 1917. Served at front and in Military Mail Service. Remained with his Division in the Army of Occupation in the Sector known as the Coblentz Bridge Head. Sailed from Brest, France April 18, 1919. Honorably discharged, May 17, 1919.

Military Records continued

Roy Lawton Morrison

Son of Daniel S. and Catherine Walter Morrison. Entered Federal Service September 6, 1917, Camp Funston, Kansas. Served one year with the 89th Division. Commissioned 2d Lt. Infantry. Served one year overseas. Honorably discharged July 24, 1919, at Camp Funston, Kansas.

Mark Lawrence De Motte, served in 114th Engineers, Co. D. was in the Argonne Forest Campaign, in the A.E. F.

WILLIAM HOLMAN DeMOTTE

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July 17, 1830

January 2, 1910

"What then? Shall we sit idly down and say
The night hath come; it is no longer day?
The night hath not yet come; we are not quite
Cut off from labor by the failing light;
Something remains for us to do or dare;
Even the oldest tree some fruit may bear;
For age is opportunity no less
Than youth itself, though in another dress;
And as the evening twilight fades away
The sky is filled with stars invisible by day."

At Theater When Lincoln Was Shot

Dr. DeMotte Writes of Personal Experience at Ford's Theater the
Night of Assassination

DURING the days of the Centennial celebration of the birth of Abraham Lincoln much is being said by the older, and learned by the younger about that great and good man. There seems no end to the stories told of him—of his wit, of his wisdom, of his good humor—of his honesty and courage. Little has been said to cloud the pleasures you have had in listening. I shall be sorry if anything I write here shall mar your enjoyment. But you know, however good and great a man may be, he cannot escape death. At the end of Mr. Lincoln's noble life came his death. It is about this I wish to tell you—not that you may learn to hate the wicked man who brought it about, but that you may know the facts of history and be glad that while a bad man could and did put an end to the life of his body no power can limit the fame of his excellence, or the good influence of his example.

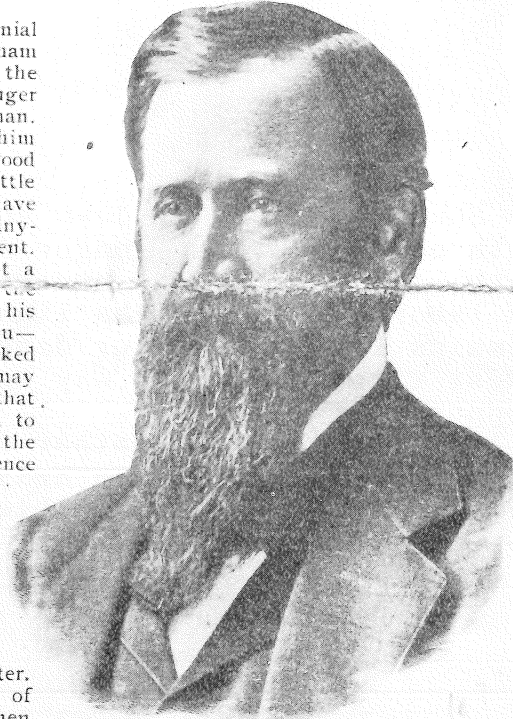
At the time, I was by appointment of Gov. Morton, Indiana State Military and Sanitary Agent for Gen. Grant's army. My office was at the northeast corner of F and 10th streets, Washington City. Diagonally across the street, to the southeastward at a distance of two or three hundred feet was Ford's theater. On the evening of April 14, 1865 a number of men were sitting around the office door when a news boy passed crying, "President Lincoln and General Grant will attend Ford's theater tonight." Two of the men were strangers in Washington, and had never seen either of these distinguished men. They thought their opportunity had come, and they should be gratified.

As it began to grow dark we stepped across to the theater door expecting their arrival every minute. Presently it began to rain. I bought tickets and we went in. Passing to the left up into the gallery we took seats almost opposite, and in full view of the box where the president and his party would sit. There were few persons in that part of the theater, and nothing to obstruct our view.

Soon the curtain rose, and the play began; to be interrupted, however, before the end of the first act, by cheering and the orchestra strung up, "Hail to the Chief," and we saw the full form of the president, accompanied by Mrs. Lincoln, followed by Miss Harris and Major Rathbone walk up the south aisle and enter the box reserved for them. Our guests were greatly disappointed at Gen. Grant's absence, as recent military events—the fall of Richmond, surrender of Gen. Lee, and the

end of the war had made him the most noted man of the day. Their disappointment was increased by the fact that Mr. Lincoln had taken a seat in the box so concealed by the flags which were used as decorations that they could get but small glimpses of him. We decided to remain a while hoping that both these causes of regret might be removed.

I cannot say how long we waited, as the play went on, till when there was a single



WILLIAM H. DE MOTTE, LL. D.

actor on the stage, a pistol shot was heard, and we saw a man step forward in the box between the president and Mrs. Lincoln, grab the ledge of the box with his hands, and vault over, falling himself on the floor of the stage—a distance of perhaps fifteen feet. Catching a spur in one of the flags he alighted with one foot doubled under him, but instantly rose, and shouting in a hoarse stage whisper which could be heard throughout the house, "*Sic semper tyrannis*," stalked in an affected tragic manner diagonally across the stage brandishing a long knife, and went off through the flies. He was recognized at once by many in the audience as John Wilkes Booth, a sensational actor who had recently played there, and the first thought was that the shot and the leap to the stage were items of the play. But the screams of Mrs. Lincoln soon gave all to know that a terrible tragedy had occurred within the box.

A number of soldiers were stationed in various parts of the house. Some of these instantly stepped to the box. The door was found fastened on the inside. It was not difficult for the soldier standing upon the stage directly under the box to assist a man to climb up the same way the assassin had descended, and soon relief came to those in the box.

The most of the assembly left the theater at once. We were among the last. There was no shouting or rushing at any time, and as we waited in the box there was almost a still silence.

After a few minutes we saw persons leaving the theater. Our men passing along the south side of the body of the president in their arms. He was naked to the waist, with his coat thrown loosely over his back, his head drooping backward, while his bare arms hung about the shoulders of the bearers. We stood beside the way and saw them pass within a few feet of us, out at the door, across the street, into a residence. A guard was immediately placed at the door, and through all the night as the rain fell quietly the neighboring streets were full of people anxiously waiting to learn the president's condition.

At about seven o'clock the next morning we saw an undertaker's wagon come with a casket, and then we knew President Lincoln was dead.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The DeMotte family sprang from French Huguenot ancestors, who left France on account of the religious persecutions following the revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685. After a brief stay in Holland, they emigrated to North America, settling on Long Island and in New Jersey. Soon after the Revolutionary War several members of the family formed a company and purchased a tract of land in Kentucky, moving there with their families and settling at Cove Spring, between Danville and Harrodsburg.

It was not far from this neighborhood, on a farm between Harrodsburg and Perryville, that William Holman DeMotte was born on July 17th, 1830. About a year after his birth the family moved to Indiana, settling near Rockville, in Parke county. The father, Daniel DeMotte, was a tailor by trade, but became so burdened with a sense of his duty to the church and his fellow men that he offered himself to the conference of the Methodist church. He was admitted as a traveling preacher, or circuit rider, in 1836, his itineracy beginning the following fall.

As this allowed him only about five days in the month at home, the responsibility of rearing the family rested upon the mother, who was a woman of "great sweetness of temper and quietness of behavior," and who exerted a strong influence for good, not only among her own children, but in whatever neighborhood she was placed. "Daniel DeMotte was regarded as a good organizer, skillful in looking up new settlers and forming them into classes," consequently the moves were frequent, sometimes twice a year. They were serious affairs for the mother, as she usually had to leave behind some cherished possession or convenience, but were picnics for the boys, Will and Mark. The woods were their playgrounds, and they became familiar with every variety of tree and flower and with the habits of birds and small animals.

Up to this time the school opportunities within reach had been very poor, so the move to Greencastle in 1844 was a welcome one. William was enrolled in the preparatory department of Asbury University, now DePauw, a few months before he was fourteen years old. He was graduated in 1849, delivering the salutatory address in Latin. The following winter he taught the school at Lewisville, a small town near New Castle, where his father and mother were living at the time. On the first of June, 1850, he became a member of the teaching force of the State Institution for the Deaf and Dumb in Indianapolis, thus beginning the work which occupied his mind and heart with only a few interruptions for sixty years.

The year 1864-'65 was spent as Indiana State Military and Sanitary Agent at Washington. It was his duty to look after the welfare of sick and disabled soldiers of Indiana regiments, and to serve as a connection between the soldier and his home people.

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No doubt there are still many persons who look back with tenderness toward Dr. DeMotte for his kind offices at that time.

The years 1865 and 1867 were successfully spent as president of the Indiana Female College at Indianapolis. However, as school conditions changed it seemed best to merge this school and its property with Asbury University at Greencastle. Accordingly, Dr. DeMotte resigned his connection with the school at Indianapolis and accepted the presidency of a similar school, now Illinois Woman's College, at Jacksonville, Illinois, remaining there from 1868 to 1875. These were trying years, during which he faced many difficulties with the bravery and fortitude characteristic of him; but, while successful in a marked degree, he felt the call back into the work he loved so much, and in 1875 returned to the work among the deaf, serving as superintendent of the Wisconsin State School at Delavan, from 1875 to 1880, and in the same capacity in the Kansas State School, at Olathe, from 1880 to 1882.

The years from 1882 to 1887, spent as president of the Female College at Xenia, Ohio, and 1887 to 1889 as secretary of the Y.M.C.A. at Jacksonville, Illinois, while productive of good, as has been shown since in many ways, were years of waiting for the right opportunity to get back into the schoolroom, surrounded by the deaf pupils he loved so much and whom it was his greatest pleasure to teach. In 1889 the appointment came from the Indiana school, and he had the great satisfaction of resuming his work, and, as has since proved, finishing his life as a teacher in the school in which he began it in 1850.

On graduating from Asbury University Dr. DeMotte received the degree A.B., and in 1852, the degree A.M. In 1877, Lawrence University, at Appleton, Wisconsin, conferred on him the degree LL. D. in recognition of his work as an educator.

Dr. DeMotte was married to Catharine Hoover at Darlington, Indiana, on September 15th, 1852. Their union was a singularly happy and beautiful one, and to them were born six children, all of whom are living: Ellen, wife of W. F. Brown; Frances, wife of A.R. Archibald; Catharine, wife of R.A. Gates; Marshall, the only son; Mary, wife of J.G. Doering, and Elizabeth, wife of T.P. Carter. While living at the college at Jacksonville the first deep sorrow fell on the family when the mother was taken from them. On December 23d, 1873, Dr. DeMotte was married to Anna A. Graves at Jacksonville. To them was born one daughter, Amelia, whose privilege it was to live in loving companionship with her father in home and in school until the close of his life.

For nearly twenty years Dr. DeMotte conducted a Bible class for the adult deaf of Indianapolis, which met in Meridian Street Methodist Church Sunday mornings. It was a source of great satisfaction and pleasure to him. He bore all the members of this class in his heart, talked of them frequently during the last days of his life, and was anxious that provision be made for continuing the class after he was gone.

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Dr. DeMotte was in good health and was exceptionally vigorous for a man of his years. On Friday, December 24th, he opened school as usual and stayed in his schoolroom until time for dismissal in spite of great pain. During the week following he suffered much at times, but was not thought to be dangerously ill until Friday, December 31st, when worse symptoms developed, and he gradually failed until the end, Sunday evening January 2d, at ten o'clock. Saturday and Sunday were quiet, peaceful days. He was free from pain and conscious all the time. He talked most beautifully of his work here on earth, which he felt was finished, of his children and grandchildren, and of his deaf friends. He said one of his greatest pleasures through his life had been to lead deaf children to a knowledge of Jesus Christ.

On Monday morning, January 3d, a service in memory of Dr. DeMotte was conducted in the chapel at the school by Mr. R. O. Johnson, superintendent. Dr. DeMotte's wish had been that he be surrounded once more by his friends, so a short but impressive service was held at the home on Tuesday morning, January 4th. Dr. Joshua Stansfield, pastor of Meridian Street Methodist Episcopal Church, conducted the service, being assisted by Rev. M.H. Appleby, pastor of the Methodist Church at Lebanon, Indiana. Mr. Appleby's acquaintance with Dr. DeMotte and family since childhood made it possible for him to offer a most personal and comprehensive prayer, which greatly comforted all the friends present. According to Dr. DeMotte's wish, he was carried from his home by the six deaf teachers of the school, Sidney J. Vail, Henry Bierhaus, Orson Archibald, August Jutt, Albert Berg and N. Field Morrow.

The body was taken to Jacksonville by Mrs. DeMotte and Amelia, where the final service was held in the chapel of the Woman's College, January 8th, conducted by Dr. J. R. Harker, president of the college, assisted by Dr. R. O. Post, pastor of the Congregational Church, and Dr. Joseph Nate, pastor of Grace Methodist Church. The remains were carried to their last resting place by six of Dr. DeMotte's old-time friends, S.R. Capps, T.J. Pitner, J.N. Ward, C.P. Gillett, A.T. Capps and W.S. Phillips.

The memory of their father's long life of constant and loving service to his fellow men, the unfailing cheerfulness of his disposition, and his unswerving faith in the guidance of his Heavenly Father, will ever abide in the minds and hearts of his children. Truly he left them a noble heritage and a beautiful example.

Amelia DeMotte

Indianapolis, Indiana
April 5th, 1910

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ADDRESS OF DR. JOSEPH R. HARKER

It seems very fitting that these last sad rites, in loving memory of our beloved Dr. DeMotte, should be held in the halls of the Woman's College. Here was performed, in seven heroic years, his greatest public service; about these halls clung many of his most cherished and sacred memories; from this place some of his loved ones were carried as we now shall carry him; here some of his children were born; and in the college he has always sustained a deep and active interest.

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Dr. DeMotte knew his Lord, he loved his Lord, he served Him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind. He walked and talked with the Master many years, and that Master, who had prepared a place for His servant, has come and received him unto Himself, so that now they are together. Now Dr. DeMotte sees Him "face to face," whom, having not seen before, he has still greatly loved. And what unspeakable joy is his to be, hereafter, "forever with the Lord." And while we weep because of our bereavement, we rejoice in his joy, and comfort ourselves with the memory of his long and helpful presence and ministry, and of the happy anticipation of our reunion in God's good time.

Dr. DeMotte's relation to the college and to myself has been especially intimate and helpful. I do not think he ever failed, whenever an important announcement was made, to write a letter expressing his special interest and pleasure. At every special anniversary he was present, and it is a great comfort to recall his addresses on these occasions, always well prepared and appropriate. It is especially grateful to remember that he was our family guest last summer on the occasion of his seventy-ninth birthday, and again at the time of our first Founders' Day celebration only a few weeks ago. What interest he manifested in that anniversary! How well he looked, and with what vigor and healthy enjoyment he seemed to carry his almost four-score years. The singing of the college girls made him feel young again, he said. We can never forget his address, so full of reminiscence of the former days, and so wise with suggestion of what was best of those days that we should still retain. His beautiful and well-sustained parable of the iceberg, with eight-ninths of its mass invisible, to carry the one-ninth visible part, with its application to the absolute need of a large endowment fund underneath the visible college plant--how fitting such a message as his farewell message to the college.

And the following morning, how the memory of that chapel talk will linger with faculty and students, his earnest and simple words, his fervent prayer, and his beautiful rendering, in the sign language, of the Twenty-third Psalm. It came to all of us as a gracious benediction.

A month later, and just a month ago, it was my privilege to see him again, and to be a guest at his home in Indianapolis for a brief hour, a very precious memory to me.

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Whatever Dr. DeMotte did, he did well. He put his heart into his work. I heard him preach only three or four times, but he preached well. He always had a message from God to the hearts of his hearers. The message was always carefully prepared, and earnestly delivered. He wrote occasionally for the Advocate and other papers, and we always wished he would write oftener.

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It has seemed to me that above everything else Dr. DeMotte was a teacher, and that in teaching he found his chief happiness and success. In his preaching you could easily recognize this quality. His writings bore the same mark. As college president his greatest delight was in the classroom work, and his students remember him more vividly as a teacher, for his class work and his chapel talks, than as an executive or as president. I saw him in the schoolroom in November, only a month ago, and as I thought of his nearly eighty years, I asked him if he did not tire of teaching. He replied: "Oh, no; it makes me young again." And so it literally did, for he had the peculiar ability of the born teacher to live in the atmosphere of the student and to partake of his life. His knowledge was always accurate and full, he was always well prepared, and he could let himself down to the plane of the pupil, walk along with him, and gradually lift the pupil to his own higher level. It is the greatest of all professions, and Dr. DeMotte held high rank in it. He was privileged to continue in it till the very end, a privilege to be greatly envied.

How many thousands of students thank God today for his instruction and his life. Many of his students in the college, still living, can give vocal expression to their thanksgiving; and thousands more of his pupils in schools for the deaf, though their lips are mute, give thanks to God in their hearts for him.

With all Dr. DeMotte's ability, perhaps his most marked characteristic was his exceeding modesty. He never sought the chief seat, he never placed himself in the front row, and whenever he was asked to come forward, as he frequently was, he always did so with reluctance, and an evident shrinking from publicity. This trait greatly endeared him to his family, and to his particular personal friends. In the privacy of the home life and in the quiet of personal friendship he revealed himself fully. He was genial, unreserved, happy, a good listener and an equally good talker. The memories of the home circle and of these closer personal friendships are sacred, but they are a perpetual well-spring of pleasure.

They will greatly miss him in the home circle. The beloved wife, who has journeyed with him so helpfully so many years, and the children, who have had the benediction of his presence and counsel for so long, will find the path of life very lonely without him. All the rest of us have aching hearts because our friend has gone. We pray the Father's most gracious comfort for the mother and children and all the loved ones of the family circle. The Lord bless them and keep them, and cause His face to shine upon them.

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But while we can not keep from sorrow for our bereavement, we know that Dr. DeMotte has been and will continue to be to all of us a great blessing. Our lives are richer, our faith is stronger, our love is deeper, more enduring, more far-reaching and confident because of him.

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TRIBUNE BY DR. JOSHUA STANSFIELD

By the death of William H. DeMotte there has gone from us one of the finest-spirited Christian men it has been our privilege to know. Trained from his childhood in the verities of the Christian religion, he early came to know, by a personal faith, the blessedness of a godly character and life.

Dr. DeMotte had a fine native endowment, which, enriched by Divine grace, made his life one of exceptional beauty and strength. Added to a liberal education of the schools, there was in him the ever-widening culture of a close observation, and a true sympathy with and love for others.

From the days of his early manhood, and for more than fifty years, he was "apt to teach" and given to communicate; and with a generous disposition and regard for others, through a life of various activities, it may be truly said of him, "He went about doing good."

One of the finest tests of a noble life is in its attitude toward others, and by such test Dr. William H. DeMotte was a noble man.

John Wesley said to his preachers, "Go, not alone to those who need you, but to those who need you most," and Dr. DeMotte followed that fine Christian counsel. Soon after leaving the university, he became a teacher in the Indiana Institution for Deaf-Mutes, and for the larger part of his life so devoted himself to that great work that he was known throughout the State and in the nation as one of the most efficient and beloved teachers.

For some time during the Civil War, under appointment of Governor Morton, he filled the position of Indiana State Military and Sanitary Agent, at Washington, D.C., and, while there, he was, in numerous instances, the living link between families at home and loved ones at the front. Many were the cases where he sought out and restored to Indiana households loved ones of whom all trace had been lost, and he will be held in lasting remembrance by families in our city for his characteristic work in those dark days.

His sympathy with and appreciation of individuals was a marked feature of his character, and of the hundreds of pupils who have been under his care, many cherish, as a precious memory, his personal interest in and love for them.

In the life and work of the church, of which he was a faithful member from his boyhood, he was in faith, devotion, loyalty, gifts and service, "an ensample to all the flock," and there, and in his family, and in the school, where his life was largely lived, his name will always be "as ointment poured forth." He was to his pastor an inspirational friend.

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He died, as he had lived, in the faith and hope of "the Gospel of God." It was "light at eventide." He departed in peace; and on the lips of all who knew him well are the words: "Truly this was a good man."

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REMARKS UPON THE LIFE OF WILLIAM H. DEMOTTE BEFORE
THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL OF MERIDIAN STREET METHODIST
EPISCOPAL CHURCH BY H.H. HORN BROOK, ON SUNDAY,
JANUARY 9TH, 1910.

It has been said that the history of a country is the history of its great men. This is a broad statement, and, like all broad statements, is only a one-sided truth. But, measured by the same test, it may be very truly said that the history of a church is the story of the lives of good men and women it has produced, and who have stood as its representatives. No higher tribute could be paid to Meridian Street Church, or to this Sunday-school than this, that the worth and character of that church and Sunday-school are to be measured by the lives of such men as William H. DeMotte. I know that we are unworthy of that tribute, but in the measure of truth which it contains I personally take great comfort and find much joy today.

Dr. DeMotte has been much in my mind during the past week. It is said that the Scriptures are given to us for comfort and help and inspiration, and just as truly, it seems to me, good men are given to us for the same purpose. I want to bear testimony today to the fact that this dear brother has brought much of comfort and help and inspiration to me.

How clearly his life stands out before us all today. How easily we can all agree as to the primary elements of his character--characteristics that marked him. Some men walk in darkness; others in the dusk; others in shifting shadow and light. He walked in the brilliant light of God's truth at all times.

If I were asked to name his most striking characteristics, I would first think of these,--his sympathy, his faithfulness and devotion, his sweetness and fervency of spirit, his open mindedness, coupled with a firm conviction as to fundamental things.

It seems almost idle to speak to you who knew him so well--some of you far better than I--of these things. But it must be that there are many of us here, including myself, who need the thought of such a life, the recognition of what he stood for, as a guide and help for personal living.

How broad his sympathy, his life given to the unfortunate, his joy in aiding those who were not blessed as we with the full measure of normal human faculties. In the Civil War, representing the State of Indiana at Washington as an official standing between the soldiers in the field and the families and communities at home, he was ideally situated for the exercise of his sympathetic faculties.

To the deaf, with whom he spent most of his days from his young manhood, he was the teacher, leader and inspirer, and they will miss him as no words can tell.

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Of his faithfulness--who can say enough? How often has he been a chiding to the rest of us. So many times when it has seemed a burden to come out to some meeting we have found him there, coming miles to our squares, and always cheerful, happy, and content. And many more times when we were not there, he was at hand. Brother DeMotte had passed through his three score and ten years--almost four score--and had lived out the allotted period of life faithful to the end. Truly the Master has said unto him, "Thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into thy reward."

And who does not recall with gladness his sweet and fervent spirit? How glad and joyous he was, how kind, how lovable. How he drew you to himself by the very lovableness of the man. And what a fine fervor he had. I loved to hear him pray, for he always mounted as if on wings into a higher, purer atmosphere, and his flights of thought were always attractive and uplifting.

He spoke rapidly and thought more rapidly, and as he warmed under the influence of his vigorous working brain, his thoughts fairly crowded each other forward, and one thought could hardly wait for the preceding to have its utterance and leave the way clear for the next. He seemed to me to be the living voice of some of our finest Psalms.

And then his open-mindedness, supported by deep conviction, as to elemental things. I know of no one of his age who kept himself more open to new truth, who was more awake and abreast of the times. As he was a teacher to the last, so he was a student. He was learning new things, forming new images of old things with which to instruct others and help himself to the very end.

How keenly he enjoyed some wide-awake, thoughtful exposition of the Bible. How open he was to all new suggestions that helped him to see truth aright. And while he was thus open-minded as to all debatable things, yet his convictions as to the great realities, of God and His Fatherhood, Christ and His Brotherhood, sin and its misery, salvation and its blessing and its certainty to all who sought God aright, were as immovable as the very mountains.

He was a good, strong, serviceable man. Seldom does a life go from us which leaves such a blending of sorrow at its departure with joy in the recollection of its goodness. I fancy he died much as he wanted to die--at a ripe old age, and yet with his usefulness unimpaired, still able to serve, and still serving his Master with his full vigor.

So I think all good men would like to live and die.

Let us all this morning raise aloft the standard which he bore so long, and resolve that the memory of his faithfulness, sympathy, sweetness and service shall abide with us, and help us to carry that same banner worthily.

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DR. DeMOTTE AS A TEACHER
(From The Wisconsin Times)

In the death of Dr. W.H. DeMotte the cause of education has lost one of its strongest and most earnest workers. Especially is this true in the education of the deaf, to which work Dr. DeMotte gave so many years of his long life.

A kind-hearted and sympathetic man, he found the work among the deaf peculiarly interesting and self-satisfying. In that work he felt there was large opportunity, not alone in mental training and the imparting of knowledge to the pupils, but there was a grand opportunity to unfold the moral nature and to awaken and develop the spiritual vision of the child. He considered the work as true missionary work--imparting the knowledge of a Supreme Being and of spiritual truth to those who from physical disability were unable to attain such knowledge in the ordinary way. And it was in this latter department of educating the deaf that Dr. DeMotte was especially strong and helpful. He was a clear, distinct, and forceful sign-maker, and his lectures to the pupils and his Sunday services in the chapel were always given in such a simple, earnest manner, and in such graceful and forceful signs, that they made a deep and abiding impression.

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Dr. DeMotte's liberal education, well-stored mind, and kindly nature made his work in the schoolroom especially effective. He stood in the front rank as an educator. His long and useful life has been brought to a close--his work is laid aside, but the influence which he has exerted will live after he has passed away, and recollection of him will be cherished and revered by the many whom he taught and helped.

(From The Illinois Advance)

It is stated by those familiar with the incidents attending the illness and death of Dr. DeMotte that he made the request that a plate be placed on his coffin bearing the inscription:

William H. DeMotte--Teacher

And that fact speaks volumes for the man. His dying ambition was to be known as a teacher, a man who had devoted his long life to those with whom he came in contact.

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Dr. DeMotte died in the fullness of years, ready for the summons, and with the consciousness of having filled full of useful deeds the long life allotted to him. In his death the deaf of the nation lose a staunch friend and advocate, the Indiana school loses a sterling and highly successful instructor, and the world loses a manly man of God.

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DR. DeMOTTE'S SEVENTY-NINTH BIRTHDAY

PRAYER--JULY 17, 1909

I thank Thee for all old people who have grown younger with their years--for all who are bringing forth fruit in their old age. Endow me with the heavenly secret, and may I be a child of eternal life. I want still to have sympathy with the young and with those who are bearing the burden and heat of the day. Help me to bear my own infirmities with cheerful patience. Keep me from narrow pride in outgrown ways--blind eyes that refuse to see the good of change--impatient judgments of the methods and experiments of others. Take from me all fear of death, and both undue love and contempt of life. And may I wait, active and effective, as far as possible. They call.

"Far on, from hill to hill, my road runs, O my
 friendliest Friend,
Less free my plodding feet, less sure my step,
 less keen my sight,
Yet in the fading west keep for me to the end
Thy morning pledge--'At evening time it shall
 be light.'"

O U R F A M I L Y -- T H E N - *Amelia DeMotte*

It has occurred to me that some of you younger ones would like to know something of the origin and history of the family so I will give you this brief sketch. I have access to the Autobiographical sketch Father wrote for his family and to one Uncle Mark, Father's younger brother prepared for his family. The quotations are from these two very interesting and really valuable accounts, valuable as they trace the history of the development of the country, ways of living and customs in pioneer days. Both sketches were written after the men were in their 70's and could look back on years of change.

I quote first from Father's sketch, this paragraph in regard to the origin of the family: "From a memorandum found among my Father's papers, I came to know that I am the great great grandson of Richard DeMotte, one of four brothers who came to Long Island from Holland in the latter part of the 17th century (about 1688). They were Huguenots, and were driven from their native country, France, by the fierce persecutions which followed the revocation of the Edict of Nantes in 1685. The other brothers were Matthias, John and Michael. They were workers in iron, makers of edged tools etc."

The Huguenots were artisans, craftsmen; and history records that the exodus of these people was a terrible blow to the country of France.

To continue Father's account: "My Great grandfather was Lawrence DeMotte. He was born about 1720, married in 1745 to Dorothy Vanderbeck, moved into Somerset County New Jersey where they raised a large family and where many of their descendants still live. Soon after the Revolutionary War a colony was formed to occupy a large tract of land they had purchased in the central part of the state of Kentucky lying between the towns of Harrodsburg and Danville. It was known as the "Cove Spring" or "Dutch Settlement". Among the names of settlers there I find besides my own, Brewers, Van Nuys, Banta, Cozine, Terhune, Brice, and Smock. These and others were Hollanders and under the prevailing language our name became Domut. I find it so written in a deed of land to my father and it is still so pronounced by Kentuckians in the vicinity of Cove Spring. Reference to some members of the family who remained in New York enabled my father to trace our relationship back to the four brothers in Long Island and to correct the spelling of the name DeMotte."

"My grandfather on my father's side was John DeMotte. He was born about 1770 and after coming to Kentucky married Anne Cozine. Their children were Laurence who moved to Pike County Indiana, Cornelius, Parke Co., Indiana, Daniel (my father) Parke County, John, Christian Co., Illinois, Mary, wife of Jacob Smock, Southport, Indiana and Sarah, wife of Banta."

As to the moving of these families from Kentucky, Father has this to say: "All the DeMottes from earliest date of record were anti-slavery. They would neither own nor hire slaves, would do their own work indoors and out. Their sons and daughters grew up with the expectation of making their living though they were better situated than many who despised work and looked upon those who did it as not better, not so good frequently as their black slaves. As soon as the question of slavery became a political point, the entire family as I knew them allied themselves with the Republican party."

Father was born near Perryville Kentucky July 17, 1830. Little more than a year after that the family moved from Kentucky and settled at Leatherwood in Parke County Indiana, near the town of Rockford. His father was admitted to the Indiana Conference of the Methodist Church in 1836 as a traveling preacher or "Circuit Rider". He is one whose life of devotion and whose contribution to the development of the country are commemorated in the most expressive statue of Francis Asbury, the first great circuit rider in America, erected in Washington, D.C.

Then began a series of movings and our heart goes out to the little mother of the family taking care of her eight children and rearing all of them to maturity. Grandfather was gone three weeks on the circuit, one week at home. The two youngest were Will and Mark and they were companions in everything they did. One cabin where they lived was on the edge of the "big woods" and the two little boys had to be careful in their play not to get out of sight of the cabin for fear they would be lost in the woods. Another place was on the "big road" or National Highway and there was an almost endless stream of covered wagons on their way farther west. Here is an amusing incident that I quote from Uncle Mark's sketch:

"It was during the summer of 1839 that the most wonderful of all the events of my childhood happened. Will and I were playing at a place we called 'The Rocks'. The projectors of that valuable improvement the National Road had hauled a quantity of large flat limestone rocks with a view of making a culvert for the passage of a brook under the road. They lay under the beeches where the shade was dense and were within the compass of Mother's voice and therefore permitted. We were but fairly settled for a forenoon's play when Will looking intently down the road asked in a scared voice, 'What's that coming?'

"I looked in the direction indicated and caught glimpses of a monstrous something that came lumbering along the road. The trunks of the trees prevented my getting a fair view. There is but one word that can express my condition. I was 'paralyzed'. After a time Will whispered, with bulging eyes, 'It's an elephant.'

"Whatever it might be was coming toward us and if it kept the road would pass within 50 feet of us. It kept the road and came rapidly. We dropped to the ground beside a big rock, and made our bodies as thin as possible but kept an eye out for the monster. It came steadily on, alone as far as we could see, swinging its trunk from side to side. When it came opposite us we had a short but uninterrupted view of it at broadside. It flapped its great ears

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backward and forward, and swung its trunk up and down. Ten feet farther it passed out of our sight and with one accord we jumped to our feet and ran home. We found Mother and Amanda out looking, and they confirmed our opinion that it was an elephant. We could then see that it was not alone but that a keeper walked on the opposite side to us. We might have seen him but we had no eyes for anything but the elephant. A train of red wagons soon followed from which we learned that a menagerie was passing. As we saw it we had met an elephant in the woods under circumstances that gave the meeting a realism equal to one in his native jungle."

The housing problem was a grave one then as it is now. The cabins were built of logs with a fireplace in the middle of one wall, no conveniences, and crowded with furniture and men and children. I wonder how a woman ever cooked a meal at the big fire in the fireplace, the blaze in her face, usually a small child hanging on her skirts and the men sitting around talking and waiting for the meal. Many of the cabins were only 16 feet square, some were 20 feet. Once in a while there was a double cabin, two rooms with a covered connecting porch and later the cabins had a loft overhead which was reached by a ladder. Uncle Mark gives this description of his mother's cabin and the way she had it arranged: "In the center of the east side was the fireplace which occupied the greater part of it, leaving room on one side to put a drop-leaf table with the leaves down and on the other side a corner cupboard for the few dishes. The side opposite the fireplace was occupied by the 'spare bed' in one corner, Mother's bed in the other and Mother's bureau which she had before she was married stood between the beds. This filled the space. The spare bed was curtained with sheets and beautiful we thought. It looked like a band box. Mother's bed was uncurtained and under it was the 'trundle-bed' which was pulled out between the two large beds at night and on which Will and I slept. On each of the larger beds were three ticks, filled with either feathers or straw. Mother had 3 feather beds."

Grandfather DeMotte was one of the early agents for Asbury, now DePauw University at Greencastle, Indiana. His name is still on the door of the room he finished in one of the original buildings. He went about the surrounding country getting subscriptions for the college and persuading young men to go to college, he himself paying their tuition in many cases. Father graduated from this college in 1849 and went immediately to his life work of teaching. After teaching a country school for a year, he became a teacher in the Indiana School for the Deaf at Indianapolis and with only a few years in other positions, he made it his real life work. He was president of three colleges, one the now prosperous MacMurray College for Women at Jacksonville, Illinois. The other two were in Indiana and Ohio and have long since been absorbed by larger neighboring colleges. He enjoyed college work but was devoted to the welfare of the deaf and never so happy as when working with them. He finished his life as he had begun it, as a teacher in the Indiana School for the Deaf at Indianapolis on the 2nd of January, 1910, active and of great use to the school up to the last.

Father had the B.A. degree and also the M.A. degree from Asbury College, now DePauw University, and the honorary degree of LL.D.

from Lawrence University at Appleton, Wisconsin.

During the Civil War he was appointed Sanitary Commissioner by Governor Morton of Indiana and spent the winter of 1864-65 in Washington D.C. His duties were to look after the interests of Indiana soldiers, especially in hospitals, to work for their exchange when they were taken prisoner, and to assist them to get back to their homes after illness or when discharged. One of the greatest privileges of his stay in Washington was the fact that he frequently saw President Lincoln and heard him speak. He came to have a great admiration for him. The high point was that he was in Ford's theater when President Lincoln was shot. He left us an interesting account of this tragic occurrence as he recalled its details.

The two grandmothers of the family were exceedingly fine women. I have heard Sister Kate often say that the Lord was extra good to her as He gave her two good mothers. The first was Catharine Hoover. Father has this to say of her home and family: "The Hoover family lived on a farm a mile from the village of Alamo where we lived and it consisted of the parents, Alexander Hoover of the Richmond Hoovers, the first family coming to Wayne county early in the century, the mother Frances Moore, also of a Richmond family but not Quaker. By the marriage, Alexander forfeited his birthright and both became members of the Methodist church. The home was different from most of the homes we knew then. It was at every point suggestive of refinement and culture. There were books, papers, pictures and refined conversation with an honest Quaker plainness without its narrowness which made it very attractive. Catharine and Sarah Ann were near the ages of myself and Mark and we were frequent playmates all summer. My entire remembrance of the Hoover family is pleasant. Ten years later when 'the young man's fancy turned to thoughts of love' all came up to influence his choice."

In all things she was his companion and helper, filling most capably every situation in which she was placed. She was the mother of six children, all of whom lived to maturity. These children were Ellen born in 1854, Frances in '56, Catharine in '60, Marshall in '62, Mary Gildersleeve in '67, Elizabeth in '71.

The 'Second Mother' of this family was Anna Graves, a teacher of piano and voice in the Methodist College at Jacksonville of which Father was president. She was the one among all the teachers at the college whom Katie and Marshie chose as the one they wanted for their second mother. Anna Graves was born in Kentucky at Bardstown and was brought by her parents to Illinois when only three years old. The Graves family settled in Jacksonville and this place was her home through her girlhood and young womanhood and during the last years of her life. I was her only child. The mutual loyalty and devotion that existed between her and the children of the family was never failing.

IN MEMORIAM



Lelia Washburn, Laurence Washburn, John Brewer
DeMotte II, and John Brewer DeMotte III

In Memoriam

JOHN B. DeMOTTE

Born at Waveland, Indiana

August Twenty-One, Eighteen Hundred Forty-Eight

Passed Away at Greencastle, Indiana

September One

Nineteen Hundred Seven



"No thought, no word, no act of man ever dies. They are as immortal as his own soul. Somewhere in this world he will meet their fruits in part, somewhere in the future life he will meet their gathered harvest."

TO MY SONS
LAWRENCE WASHBURN DeMOTTE
AND
JOHN BREWER DeMOTTE
IN LOVING MEMORY OF THEIR FATHER
JOHN BREWER DeMOTTE

JOHN B. DeMOTTE

The DeMottes were of noble lineage. They belonged to the Huguenots, who were driven from France by the religious persecutions which followed the edict of Nantes in 1685.

"After a brief sojourn in Holland they came to America, settling in Long Island. At about the same time a Holland family, Brower, or Brewer as now spelled, came to New Amsterdam. The members of these families moved west, into New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and at the time of the Revolutionary War were prominent in national affairs. At the close of the Revolution they secured lands adjacent to the central portion of the new State of Kentucky. Here they intermarried, and from them came the DeMottes and Brewers, of Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and the West."

Professor DeMotte's grandfather, Rev. Daniel DeMotte, was a Methodist minister in that day, when it meant something to be a circuit rider. His work comprised parts of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, and there were no improved roads, trains or automobiles--horseback was the favorite means of travel. He moved from Kentucky to Indiana in 1831, and he possessed that courage and endurance that conquered the wilderness and founded educational institutions, that have made it possible for Indiana to take first rank in her school system. Rev. Daniel DeMotte was untiring in his work for Indiana Asbury University.

His eldest son was John Brewer DeMotte, a Kentuckian by birth, possessing the genial cultured hospitality of the Southern gentleman, and a noble Christian character. He felt the call to the ministry, and for more than fifty years he successfully preached the gospel in Indiana. He married Miss Emily Payne, a Southern woman of rare wealth and sweetness of character. Of the three children born to this union, Mrs. Elizabeth DeMotte Case, of Attica, Indiana, is the only one living.

Their youngest son, the subject of this sketch, was given the family name--John Brewer DeMotte. He came into this world under the most favorable auspices for the career which lay before him. To be born in a frontier town in 1848 meant the closest possible communion with nature in all its wildness and beauty; coming into a Methodist itinerant's home furnished every facility for the study of character, for the laws of the Methodist Church at that time made it compulsory for a minister to move every year. During the first sixteen years of his life, spent mostly in his father's house, the boy became acquainted with fifteen Indiana towns.

At an early age his mother died, and he was tenderly cared for by an aunt. Then his father married Miss Phoebe Foster, a highly educated woman from New York. Seven children came to bless his home; but three are living--Mrs. Margaret DeMotte Potts, Jacksonville, Illinois; Mrs. Emily Foster Van Schoiack, Garden City, Kansas;

Mr. George Ellis DeMotte, Williamsport, Indiana. The new mother possessed a natural gift for teaching, and took great pride in looking after the boy's education. He never knew any other teacher till he entered Asbury University. John B.'s childhood was much like that of other boys; his sunny, buoyant nature made him a desired partner in all the sport and fun on hand. It was his great delight to see something doing, and he was always bringing something to pass. But nothing pleased him quite so well as to see the big boxes brought from their hiding places with hammers and nails ready for business. The hurry and the bustle of packing, the loading of the goods, the farewells, the final start, were scenes he never forgot.

He endured the privations of these early times, but he knew how to get the most out of his environment.

He often spoke of his first pair of skates, the breast bones of chickens tied on his shoes. He enjoyed them; they gave him all the exhilaration of the finest skating, as they set his blood on fire with the thought of what he could do on real skates. The "misfits" from the "donation parties" were the one thing that cast a gloom over his unfailing good nature, but even this did not last long. The coat could be thrown aside, the trousers rolled up--and there were so many things to make life attractive.

The brothers and sisters that came to his home made him acquainted with family cares at an early age, but his inventive genius solved even these perplexing problems. He made mechanical devices that would rock the cradle, churn the butter, and lighten almost every task. He was a rival of "Tom Sawyer" in enlisting the help of the other boys.

John was a great hand to entertain the children with story telling, and the older he grew the more exciting the tales became. One evening he was left at home to care for two little girls. As they were the sole occupants of the house he decided to give a performance. The little girls remained in the big front room while he improvised a curtain over the doorway and disappeared. After what seemed a great while to the spectators the curtain fell, and amidst great clatter and hullabaloo Mephistopheles, in wonderful attire, illumined by a brilliant calcium light, performed to the great satisfaction of the "large audience." Afterward the children confessed they were frightened till their hair stood on end, even if they did know it was just John B.

In 1863 the stories of our country's need for brave men to defend our homes thrilled his whole being, and, after several attempts, he was finally enrolled as a private of Company E, in the 118th Indiana Volunteers, August 19, 1863. He was fifteen years of age, tall and exceedingly slender; too young and too frail, it would seem, to endure the hardships of war.

But he wore the man's uniform, too big almost by half, and carried the heavy gun, a burden even for a strong man, till his regiment was mustered out March 1st, 1864. He never missed a march, and the only wound he received was the one inflicted by a fellow comrade. The regiment was on a long march, the gun heavy, the boy tired and exhausted, and occasionally his gun would strike the weary soldier, and he retaliated with a thrust of the bayonet, and the scars ever remained as a reminder of that hard march. Although the regiment was out only a short time, the men experienced some of the greatest hardships of the war. During the month of December, '63, they were kept constantly on duty in the mountains, marching almost shoeless over the rough country, and as a result the hospitals were crowded with sick and exhausted men. When the army was ordered to retreat, this brigade was left in the enemy's country, with Longstreet on the east, in front of them, Bragg on the south, and Kentucky full of guerillas; thus no supplies could reach them from the government. They subsisted on parched corn when it could be obtained, and corn boiled in the mess-pans with ashes, a sort of lye hominy, for a change, while they also ate it raw when they were too hungry to wait to prepare it. No rations were issued at all some days. It was necessary to guard the mules when they received their scant supply to keep the soldiers from stealing it.

When corn failed they feasted on green persimmons, and have gone down into history as the "Persimmon Brigade." The winter's campaign of these troops, in East Tennessee, for hardships and real suffering was perhaps more severe than that of any other winter's campaign of the war. During the severe season every soldier was held to active, strenuous duty, and the fact that John B. was a boy spared him nothing of a soldier's duties. It was while on picket duty that he froze his fingers.

Only a few years ago he had an artist, H.A. Mills, make a picture for him that had lingered in memory's hall of these years. In the foreground, by a widespreading tree, the boy soldier stood on picket. He was holding to the limb of a tree with one hand, while the other arm clasped his gun, too weary and too tired to keep awake. The eyes are closed in sleep, while a pleasant smile plays over his youthful face. In the distance is the interpretation of the dream that brings joy into such surroundings. It was the picture of the home kitchen, with every familiar article of furniture; but what so pleased his boyish nature was the table ready for breakfast: his plate was there, and on the stove were frying pancakes to add to the already heaping stack by his plate. The dream was short. A slight noise in the bushes, and John B. was back on duty.

Halt! who goes there?

Later, in the stillness and loneliness of the night, he recalled the dream and could not help saying, "What a fool I was not to have eaten more when I was at home." This picture was lost, along with almost the entire household effects, when his home, "Elmwood Place," was destroyed by fire in 1904.

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He was detailed to cook for the captain a short time, and he learned to toss the "flapjack" and catch it with great dexterity.

When John B. DeMotte returned from the war he wished to become self-supporting, so he entered a telegraph office, and the first dispatch he received was the announcement of the assassination of President Lincoln. He did not follow this business long, but came to Asbury University for one year. He supported himself. He sawed more than forty cords of wood that winter. The next year he taught a country school until the burning of the school house scattered the scholars for the remainder of the term. Then he accepted a place as clerk in a fine jewelry store. In 1870 he was elected principal of the Jenks School in Lafayette. His success in this place made him a favorite with patrons and pupils, but he felt the thing for him to do was to complete his education. He resigned his position, came to Greencastle and entered Indiana Asbury University. That grand man, Bishop Thomas Bowman, was president. He was a real inspiration to the students.

Pasted in the back of a favorite book, "Breathings of a Better Life," this program was placed for daily use:

Each Day--N.B.

- I. Deo gratias, 5 A.M.
- II. In solo Deo salus.
- III. I will not speak before I think of and weigh my words--
Deo invanti.
- IV. Omnia vincit labor.
- V. Recte et suaviter.
- VI. Omnia cum Deo, 10:30 P.M.

In his Bible, bearing date of 1781, are these extracts from John Wesley:

Read Today

"Watch and pray continually against pride. Let there be in you that lowly mind which was in Christ Jesus. Be clothed with humility. Let modesty and self diffidence appear in all your words and actions. Be always ready to own any fault you have been in.

"Love is the highest gift of God, humble, gentle, patient love. The heaven of heaven is love, there is nothing higher in religion.

"Give no place to sloth. Give no occasion to say 'Ye are idle,' ye are idle.'

"Keep thyself pure.

"Be exemplary in all things--dress--little things. The laying out of your money, avoiding every needless expense.

"In deep, steady seriousness and in solidity and usefulness of your conversation, so shall you daily grow, till an entrance be ministered unto you abundantly, into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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"Every moment, Lord, I want
The merit of thy death!"

Then follow references, showing where holiness is taught in the Bible.

He united with the Methodist Church in the spring of 1872. With the exception of three years spent at Bryn Mawr, Pa., in "St. Luke's M.E. Church, his life-long membership was with the College Avenue M.E. congregation, Greencastle, Indiana.

John B. DeMotte at once entered into the college spirit, and he was a leader among the students. He made his expenses by tutoring, corresponding for the Indianapolis Journal and clerking in a store on Saturdays. Later his grandfather kindly gave him money to help complete the course, but this was all returned after graduation. The Platonian Literary Society gave him an excellent opportunity for practice in speaking and in extempore debate. He possessed great concentration of mind, or it would have been impossible for him to carry the college work with his other duties. One June he decided to change his college course, and during the three months' vacation he mastered two years of Greek sufficiently to enter classical junior. He was graduated from Indiana Asbury University in 1874 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For two years he had been tutoring the preparatory students. His ability as a teacher was recognized, and he was elected to take charge of the preparatory classes. In 1874 he organized the preparatory department and called Dr. Philip S. Baker and Dr. T.J. Bassett to assist in the work. He was elected to deliver the master's oration, when he received the Master of Arts degree pro merito. For ten years he was principal of the preparatory school; he was made adjunct professor of mathematics, and in 1882 Professor DeMotte was elected to fill the chair of physics in the university.

He was a member of the commission that made the arrangements for the great electrical exhibition held in Philadelphia in 1884. This grand display was a great inspiration to study, and he entered upon his work with renewed energy and zeal, and was justly proud of the apparatus that he brought home with him. Dr. DeMotte's great work was along experimental lines. It was so easy for him to make the deep truths of nature simple and easy to understand by his experiments and illustrations. His classes were always large and enthusiastic, eager to take the work that revealed the laws of nature--the very secrets of God. Across the wall of his recitation room were these words: "The Laws of Nature are the Laws of God." And the students felt they were delving into His rich storehouse of thought. His great love for children is remembered wherever he was known. He was never too busy to entertain them. At one time he gave a course of lectures to the eighth grade of the public schools, using a method entirely his own, for he was a little in advance of the times in giving practical illustrations of the laws of physics to children. A visitor present at the one on "hearing" said he used a large model of the ear, certain musical instruments, and children from his audience for subjects. It was an hour never to be forgotten,

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full of excitement, surprises, delightful discoveries and abiding impressions.

In 1887 Professor DeMotte received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from his Alma Mater, and a few years later Doctor of Medicine from the Iowa Central College of Physicians and Surgeons. He was a life member of the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, and greatly interested in their research work.

In laboratories, hospitals, medical schools, state institutions for the deaf and dumb and blind, the feeble-minded and the insane, he pursued his study, and at various times he went abroad to engage in original research in the leading laboratories of these countries. The more he learned the more intense was his desire to go still deeper into truth. The later years of his life were given especially to the study of psycho-physics, and it grew to be almost a passion with him, he was so eager to push the known laws further into the realm of the unknown. He was one of the first to successfully photograph sound waves. For years he carried in his suitcase some recent publication along this line of study. Thompson's Brain and Personality was his last study. A German book and a history of music, or biography of some of the great musicians, and "Elements of Psychology," by Thorndyke, were taken from his case on his last return.

His soul was full of music. This study was his recreation. He felt the power of the divine art to bring rest to the weary, joy to the sorrowing and hope to the downcast. His violin was a benediction and was always with him, and the sweet harmony of his improvisations linger in memory's hall.

He possessed the sensitive musical ear that detected the least discord in his orchestra and suggested harmony. His magnetic presence inspired the hearts of his performers, and made their rehearsals a real pleasure never to be forgotten. He had an orchestra of forty pieces and a chorus of one hundred voices before the music school was organized in De Pauw. Friends remember with pleasure the grand music of the large church choir when Miss Emma S. Howe, the sweet singer of Boston, was the leading soprano. She had charmed her thousands when with Gilmore's Band, but she never sang with greater sweetness and power than in this choir.

Dr. DeMotte composed and arranged the music for Shelley's matchless poem, "The Cloud." It was presented at one of the many concerts given under his direction by a chorus of a hundred voices and fifty boys and fifty girls, accompanied by the faithful Mozart Club of forty instruments. The "antiphonal" by the children, "We bring fresh flowers," was especially enjoyed by the large audience present.

An authority in musical circles said he might have been a Thomas had he made the study of music his life work. He gave an address at the music school commencement in 1888 on "Music, the Universal Language." It was published in full in the college daily.

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Dr. DeMotte was a man of ability along many lines. Horticulture came in for a share of his study, and he took many prizes on his fruit at the State Fair. He was a correspondent for years to The Country Gentleman, also several agricultural papers. He was an enthusiastic lover of livestock, and was an authority on some of the fine strains, but his favorite was a herd of Scotch Shorthorns.

It was a peculiarity of the man that in whatever line he was interested he informed himself thoroughly upon it, both historically and experimentally. He knew the value of what he was enjoying. Chess was his only game, and he rarely indulged in this. He put the same study here, and only last summer (1907) he won a game from the state champion.

After an engagement of six years he married Miss Lelia Washburn in 1878. She was the daughter of General Henry D. Washburn, a member of Congress under Grant's administration. At the close of General Washburn's second term he was appointed surveyor-general of Montana. While in the West he organized the company that discovered Yellowstone Park. Mount Washburn and Washburn Range were named for him. His party named the principal geysers. They still bear these names.

Dr. DeMotte was particularly fond of children, and his devotion to his two sons, Lawrence Washburn DeMotte and John Brewer DeMotte, was most beautiful, and in thorough keeping with his ideal home life. Dr. DeMotte was a man that loved the children and made friends with them wherever he was, and was always ready to entertain them. One of the sweetest floral offerings in memoriam was an immense quantity of nasturtiums, chrysanthemums and dahlias from loving little neighbors, gathered by a company of little girls who had been frequent visitors during the summer.

Dr. DeMotte possessed in a great degree the old-time Southern hospitality, and was never more delighted than when entertaining friends in his home. No man appreciated the value of true friendship more than he did. The very atmosphere of the home was uplifting and ennobling. A frequent visitor, in a letter, said it would be simply impossible to play ragtime or do anything in keeping with it in this house. Unconsciously, the beautiful pictures, the inspiring music, the best books and the highest thoughts awakened an inspiration for high ideals.

Years ago the professors in the university were required to deliver Sunday afternoon lectures to the students, and the lectures on "The Harp of the Senses" and "Python Eggs" are an evolution of "The American Boy," delivered on Sabbath afternoon. He delivered the oration when the "Columbian tree" was planted.

Dr. DeMotte's entrance into the lecture field was wholly unpremeditated and unexpected. His only experience with the lecture business was paying a deficit of about six hundred dollars on a fine lecture course he had managed.

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He thoroughly enjoyed his class work, and when he was invited to go to Kittanning, Pa., and give a course of lectures, he had no thought of going into the lecture field. But he was most successful in holding the interest of his audience, and when Dr. Gillett made him an offer to go to De Funiac Springs, Florida, giving him vacation dates, he accepted. With his assistant and four thousand pounds of apparatus, he made the trip and delivered five lectures before a Chautauqua audience. The interest manifested by the people in his work influenced him to write to Mr. George Hathaway, president of the Redpath Lyceum Bureau, asking for a place on his list of talent. Mr. Hathaway replied: "We could not make ten dates a year. The people want to be amused, not instructed." The Professor continued delivering his lectures during the summer and Christmas vacations, and the call for them increased so rapidly that he was forced to decide between college work and lecturing. His love for his Alma Mater and his students was so great that he wished to stay with them. So he thought to combine the two, and offered to give the proceeds of his lectures to his department, which was at this time greatly in need of apparatus, if the trustees would grant him a leave of absence for a few weeks each year. His ambition was to equip a model physical laboratory. His offer was not considered favorably, and the call to the new work was so insistent that he chose the lecture field; and after twenty-five years of enthusiastic work he severed his connection with the university and signed a contract with Mr. Slayton to give one hundred lectures annually for ten years. "Nothing succeeds like success," and after a few years the Redpath Bureau felt their need of his work and made him an excellent offer, and for more than a decade he was under their special management.

The last few years were spent with the Central Lyceum Bureau. An able lecturer makes the following comment on Dr. DeMotte's work in his chosen field of labor:

"For more than a dozen years John B. DeMotte was easily the most popular lyceum lecturer on the American platform. He was at the same time one of the most useful and helpful of all platform speakers. I have weighed these words, and utter them with deliberation, and I repeat with emphasis the statement I have made that the most popular American platform speaker of this opening decade of the twentieth century was John B. DeMotte. He manifested such an intense interest in his work, combined with an untiring energy and strong will power, that he could almost bring success from failure."

He possessed the rare gift in speaking to an audience of making his talk a personal one to each one present.

A listener once said, "Why, I have heard that doctrine from childhood, but he seemed to be speaking to me, and I saw clearly that I must stop my manner of life," and years of noble living bear testimony to the power of his words.

He possessed a peculiar insight into character, and in some way could come a little closer to the people he met than most men, and was able to give help at the critical moment by showing young

men the danger of the life they were pursuing. Perhaps a single sentence would do the work. Many, many letters have been received saying, "Three years ago, five years ago, twelve years ago, I heard you lecture, and I saw I must change my life, and to your words I owe my happy home and true, manly life."

Few men have the satisfaction of seeing the good results of their labor as did Dr. DeMotte. People were exceedingly kind in expressing their thanks for what he had done for them, in the most expressive terms. Notwithstanding all these expressions of appreciation and praise, Dr. DeMotte was an unassuming, attractive man both to scholars and to men of fewer opportunities in the common walks of life. One summer some friends were taking an all-day ride over the prairies of Minnesota. They stopped at a little crossroads grocery store for something to eat. The proprietor came out and in a warm-hearted, genial way entered into conversation. When he learned they were from Greencastle, he said: "Why, I heard a man lecture from that place, and when I heard he was to lecture two hundred miles from here, I took out my money and went to hear him again. It was grand, I ain't worth much yet, but I reckon he thought I was worth saving." Then he invited them in and set forth the best in the store for their entertainment.

Dr. DeMotte frequently said, "I do not deserve these kind words," and was continually striving to make his work more effective. He was one of the most generous, free-hearted, open-handed men living; his purse strings were always loose. He considered his friend's need his opportunity for helping, and he would give his last cent without even a hope of return--yes, to his last cent, and then more.

A widow about to lose her home for taxes is made happy by receiving the needed money he had borrowed that he might give to her. He never could refuse an old man anything. He sympathized too deeply with them. Many of Dr. DeMotte's dollars have been gladly spent in aiding young men and young women in obtaining an education. "The beauty of his giving was the secrecy, the excellent courtesy and gentle kindness in the way his gifts were bestowed, and many hearts beat a little warmer for this remembrance."

A Y.M.C.A. man says:

"To hear Dr. DeMotte speak, one was impressed with the high and noble purpose of his life. This reached much higher than the money received for service rendered. But to dine with him, to sit in his room late at night, and to commune with him as he spoke of those things that lay close to his heart and life, that was delight--that was inspiration."

A loved professor writes:

"He seemed such a beautiful exposition of a truly great and beneficent man, and he lives on in lives of a hundred thousand young men and women who have felt guided and strengthened by his wonderful lectures upon character, and surely he was one of the noblest examples

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of his own teaching. The years may come and years may go, but no one dies who lives in the imperishable fruition of good works. Let us honor his memory through the righteousness of our own lives."

A lecturer's life is not all sunshine and smiles; the long days and nights of travel, the impossible railroad connections, the pouring rain and dashing storms, all combine to add spice and variety to his experience.

Dr. DeMotte was to deliver a course of lectures in the East. In coming from the Northwest an important trunk was missing. Time came near to start. Telegraphing, telephoning were of no avail. He went to Chicago, then down to Louisville, but failed to locate the missing apparatus. He was obliged to go without it. Great was his surprise and joy on arriving to see the trunk unloaded along with the others. Where it had been or where it came from he never knew. However, this was in keeping with his fortunate experience in misfortune. The gas tanks had a way of going wrong at the most critical places. At a Southern Chautauqua it was found that the oxygen tank had sprung a leak and the oxygen was all gone. DeMotte chartered an engine, made a run to the nearest city, but found they manufactured no gas there. Upon further investigation he learned the high school had a pair of cylinders and sometimes used gas. A hurried ride across the city--Could he get out there and back in time to reach the Chautauqua? Would they have any gas? were questions running through his mind as they made a rush drive across the city. He reached the building. They had gas. He clasped the baby cylinder in his arms and quickly returned to his train. The large audience had assembled, and for some time had been listening to beautiful music which Dr. DeMotte had provided for them to beguile the time till he should return. He was greeted with cheers and hurrahs when he walked in with his "gas." As he came up to the platform his little son stepped up to him and said: "Papa, I was just about to begin your lecture. I thought I could hold out till you came."

The midnight drives in the rain and the snow and sleet and mud in the West and South might make interesting reading, but it was nerve-racking travel.

For instance, one week in Oklahoma:

"DeMotte's Great Week"

"DeMotte has had a week of experience which he will keep to tell to his grandchildren. At Eureka, Kansas, on Monday night, a wind storm came up during the lecture, but the audience, after sending cyclone spies out, decided to stay and hear him through, which they did amid a furious bombardment of wind, rain, thunder and lightning.

"On Tuesday evening, at Newton, Kansas, the storm was the severest that he and Mr. Harrington have ever seen. The hail made such a clatter that speaking was impossible. The stage hands backed up the windows with plank to keep them from blowing out, the water poured through the ventilators into the parquet, but the audience stayed--they had to.

"Between Caldwell and El Reno, O.T. DeMotte ran into the big freight wreck on the Rock Island, where fifteen cars of merchandise, farm implements, household goods, horses and tramps were spread out in hopeless confusion. He was detained twelve hours, but reached El Reno in time for the lecture. But the worst was yet to come.

"At 4:30 yesterday morning the siren whistle at El Reno blew the cyclone alarm, and the citizens took to their caves, but DeMotte said he was too sleepy to go--that the cyclone might have him. Then followed the terrific rain that has put the valleys several feet under water. Oklahoma City was his next date, but the Choctaw Railroad had lost three trestles and had to abandon train service indefinitely. He consulted three liverymen, who declined to attempt to get through with a team, as the water in many of the smaller streams was running over the fence tops. At noon the heaviest of the storm had passed, and DeMotte found a man who believed he could get through. They loaded four pieces of luggage and DeMotte and Harrington into a good spring wagon and started. But the rain was not over, and their covering proved no match for driving rain. At Yukon, where the morning train had been abandoned, they found a bridge gone, and were advised not to attempt to reach Oklahoma. A team had just a little while before floated down stream, and one horse had got so tangled up in the bridge that he had to be cut out. But they measured the depth of the now falling stream and succeeded in landing on the other side, not dry, but high. The valleys of the North Canadian were hard to get through, but at 6:30 the party were within two miles of Oklahoma City, when they were stopped by a bad cut around the bridge by the flooded river. The case looked hopeless, but, as he said in opening his lecture, 'All roads go to Oklahoma City.' They turned back, went north a mile and east a mile, and came into the city from the hillside, reaching the opera house at 7:35 P.M., after a drive of thirty-two miles. He said the city was the most beautiful sight from the north hills that he had ever seen. The mud was scraped off and DeMotte got into dry clothes while Harrington rushed the stage setting, and both were ready for the lecture at 8:45. There was a large and enthusiastic audience in attendance--the largest audience that has ever assembled at a lecture in Oklahoma City. The lecture was one of the very strongest ever delivered in Oklahoma,

and was highly appreciated. His subject, 'Python Eggs and the American Boy,' was well handled. The officers and members of the lecture lyceum deserve great credit for securing such an able and instructive speaker."--The Daily Oklahoman, Saturday Morning, May 6.

His expert assistant, Truman W. Harrington, who had been with him almost sixteen years, had experienced all the phases of the lecture work, and had seen Dr. DeMotte extricate himself from so many tight places, wittingly remarked: "Doctor, if you want to go to a certain place, just take the first train that comes along, no matter if it is going in the opposite direction to where you want to go. Just get on, and you will get there all the same." And they tried this plan successfully many times.

Sunday was usually the busiest day of the week, as many dates were made on Saturday and Monday nights, that he might be there over the Sabbath. He spoke from two to five times on Sunday, and it was purely a labor of love, as he never would receive pay for this work. When remonstrated with for doing so much extra work, he replied: "This may be my only chance to reach some one in the audience who needs my message."

The number of new dates on his list were few in comparison to the recalls he received. But no matter how many times he might be recalled to the same city, his lectures always had a freshness about them, for he was always studying and experimenting, thinking them over in the light of the latest discoveries. Dr. DeMotte never wrote his lectures; they simply grew out of his own convictions after much study and research along the desired line of thought.

It is a cause for regret that not one of his lectures or talks had ever been committed to paper. Truman W. Harrington has made a copy of No. 1, "The Harp of the Senses, or Secret of Character Building," No. 2, "Python Eggs and the American Boy," No. 3, "A Plea for Posterity, or the Problem of Heredity," as he recalls them, having been familiar with some of them for sixteen years.

But there is not a line of the new lecture, "The Fever of Life," which was intended as a climax to this series of lectures. It would have dealt with our strenuous life and the vital and living questions of our day.

Few of his intimate friends knew that Dr. DeMotte had not been in his accustomed excellent health since last February. When in Salida, Colorado, he visited a snow-slide and assisted in the work of caring for the victims. He contracted pneumonia; this, combined with the high altitude, came near taking him from his labor at that time. With the aid of medicine, but more by his will power, he filled his dates, and his rest at home during the early summer gave him hope that he would regain his strength and buoyancy of spirits and be able to fill his lecture dates. He had sold his time for three years to come, and in answer to earnest solicitation he had just written, giving them the holiday weeks for the extra dates they wanted. He went to his Chautauqua engagements the 25th of July, and friends said they

never heard him to better advantage. He put his whole soul into his work, and the afternoon he was stricken he made the remark that he never felt better in his life. He rallied from the acute attack of heart trouble in York, Nebraska, and came to his home August 27th. His own weakness and fatigue were as naught to him, and he was so bright and cheery that no one, not even his trusted assistant, guessed how complete his exhaustion was.

When he arrived home for the last time, and really ought to have been carried from the 'bus to the house, he tarried quite a while on the sidewalk to help some stranger out of a difficulty, and no one knew how weak he was.

His co-laborer, Dr. James Hedley, pays the following tribute:

"On the morning of September 1st, John B. DeMotte, the famous teacher and lecturer, dropped dead of heart failure at his home in Greencastle, Indiana.

"His going out of life is an irreparable loss to the world. In his life and work he was the friend of men. Acquaintances are many, but friends are few, and we can not afford to lose them. Of the so-called friendships which rest upon expected benefits there is a superabundance, and when these are severed by death there is no sorrow in the heart, no welling of tears in the eyes. How rare it is to be able to say, in times of discouragement, disappointment, loss, sorrow or shame, 'He was my friend!' I could say that of the dear dead, and many thousands all over the land could say it. Because of its truth, there is crepe today upon the door of the heart of humanity.

"Twenty years ago next October I first met the subject of these lines at a teachers' institute in Pennsylvania. He came to my room after one of my lectures. Handsome, bright-eyed, his head crowned with ringlets of hair, he was the picture of manly strength, grace and beauty. Smiling, he put out his hand and said: 'My name is DeMotte.' He paused and added: 'I know you are tired and ought to sleep, and I shall not keep you long out of bed. I only wanted to say your message did me good, did us all good, and I hope you will live long to repeat it. Good-night.' He smiled again and went out. I never had a sweeter and more helpful 'Good-night' in my life. It came at a time when I needed it, for those were days of struggle and trial.

"He was then in the prime of manhood, a scholar crowned with honors, a teacher of power, and he had just crossed the threshold of the lyceum. He was greater than I in his work and worth, but his thought was of me, and of my hopes and possibilities. For twenty years he was like that. In our meetings by the way, in his beautiful letters, and in his messages through others, he gave his thought and wish, unselfishly, to me. He never spoke of his own gifts, or sought words of commendation or praise.

"The key to the man lies largely herein. To encourage others, to teach and guide and serve and bless others, was his highest creed

and his chiefest purpose. It was his mission. All his work for the platform was wrought out with a view toward its uplift for mankind. His heart went out especially to the young. To drop good seed in the soil of young souls was his paramount aim and end. Therein the eye of his faith saw great trees laden with good fruit. To a young mother who asked him what his greatest lecture on 'The Harp of the Senses' was about, he replied: 'Mostly about boys; boys like yours, and how to make noble men of them. I hope you and they may hear it. Boys were his passion. He seemed always to hear the cry of the old-en prophet, 'Run fast, and speak to that young man!'

"His lectures were all messages for growth, for the development and maintenance of physical and spiritual strength, and especially for those things which work for righteousness through habit. He believed in and taught a religion of the body. He urged boys and men to fall upon their knees in worshipful reverence before the physical temple of their souls. The century has known no more valuable or blessed message than DeMotte's 'Harp of the Senses.' With that 'harp' tuned to the harmonies of those songs of life which are pure and true and chaste, character must stand as granite mountains stand--immovable beneath the beating of the hammers of the tempest. A leading physician in a Western city, after hearing this lecture, said: 'I will buy two hundred tickets for young men, and see that they attend your lecture, if you will repeat it.' There is no over-estimating the good done by that message. There is an army, which no man can number, that can testify with uplifted eyes: 'The "Harp of the Senses" put me on my feet as a man!' How brave a message it was! How virile and free from prudery! It was strong food. It did the more good because of that, and because it was needed.

"Dr. DeMotte had just completed a summer of arduous toil, and had scarcely stepped upon the threshold of home for rest, when death called him. In the intense heat of many weeks and in the presence of crowding thousands, he poured out the red river of his heart, here a drop, there a drop, until the river was low, and there was not stream enough to carry the boat of his life, and it stopped. I have seen him in the lyceum season, when his eyes shone with an unnatural brightness, and his face, white and tense from overwork, revealed the need of rest, and to my word of caution he would smile and say: 'I must work; I must do my duty.' He died for others. He did just what the Divine Pilot did--he sailed the ship of his soul straight for the Haven of God, and he took on board all who would go, and he did this until death took his tired hand from the wheel.

"Drummond is right. The greatest thing in the world is love. The highest expression of love is service. DeMotte's life was a life of service. In this he reached love's mountain height. Herein is true greatness. Like the Master, he drew all men unto himself. When we are led to the contemplation of a man, and find that his word and his work reach no farther than his own elevation and his own glory, we know there is much dead salt in him, good for nothing but to be cast out and trodden under the feet of men, but when his personality has so gone out that men sing and shout for joy, the measure of his height and depth and breadth is well nigh inestimable. So it was with DeMotte.

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"For many years of his life he was a teacher. For twenty years he was a professor of mathematics and physics in Asbury and DePauw Universities. He had the benefit of post-graduate work in European schools. He won many degrees and honors. His teaching life made him all the stronger for his later work of the lyceum. We who are workers in that field will never know a higher model in all that makes for the value and the blessing of unselfish labor. To emulate his earnestness and unselfishness of purpose is to walk the golden way to the soul's heights. His influence remains. It will never die. That he should have gone, before he had rounded sixty years, to the upper world is a cause for regret on the part of the lower world. The upper world does not need him as we of the lower world do. Let us hold fast to him, then, in the spirit.

"I am happy in the memory that John Brewer DeMotte was my friend. As he walks today, knee-deep in fields of asphodel, beside the Crystal Sea, I trust he knows that I have not forgotten him, and that my heart goes out with this poor wreath of words for his grave."

Lelia Washburn DeMotte

Greencastle, Indiana,
January, 1908

List of Lectures

- No. I. The Harp of the Senses, or the Secret of Character Building.
- No. II. Python Eggs and the American Boy.
- No. III. A Plea for Posterity, or the Problem of Heredity.
- No. IV. The Fever of Life (in preparation).

Some Favorite Sabbath Talks

Success Means Sacrifice.

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Habit.

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Point of View.

A Recipe for Happiness.

Resolution

Adopted By The Northwestern Indiana Conference
Held At College Avenue M.E. Church
Greencastle, Indiana

WHEREAS, Our beloved friend and brother, Dr. John Brewer DeMotte, has been taken from us by death, and his remains have during the session of this conference been carried from this church in which our session was being held, and since both his father and his grandfather were honored members of this conference, and since he was one of the most eloquent, faithful and efficient preachers of righteousness of this generation, and since his home has always been within the bounds of this conference, therefore,

RESOLVED, 1, That we hereby express to his bereaved widow and sons our heartfelt sympathies; and,

2, That we request our secretary to procure and place in the forthcoming number of our published minutes the picture and a brief biographical sketch of the life of this noble man; and,

3, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the widow, and one to our advocates for publication.

(Signed) T. J. Bassett,	Lewis S. Smith,
John S. Hoagland,	J. W. Walker,
	H. A. Gobin.

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Services Held in
College Avenue M.E. Church, September 4, 1907
Greencastle, Indiana

Organ. Miss Alice Potter
"The Holy City". Mr. Harry L. Maxwell
Violin obligato. Miss Rosa Adelaide Marquis
Prayer Dr. James W. Walker
"The Haven of Rest"--Quartette.
 Mr. Harry Maxwell, Mr. John P. Hillis, Mr. C.C. Connelly,
 Mr. Clyde Pottorff.
"Face to Face" Mr. John P. Hillis
Address. Dr. J.S. Hoagland
Address. Dr. Hillary A. Gobin
Quartette--"Jesus, Lover of My Soul."
Address. Dr. J.P.D. John
Remarks and prayer by Bishop William F. McDowell.
Quartette--"God Be with You Till We Meet Again."

Services concluded at "Forest Hill" with the Ritual of the
Grand Army of the Republic, and the quartette, accompanied by
Miss Marquis on violin, sang "There's a Land That Is Fairer
Than Day."

Address of Dr. J. S. Hoagland*

Professor John Brewer DeMotte, Ph. D., was born in Waveland, Indiana, August 21, 1848, and died in Greencastle, Indiana, September 1, 1907. His grandfather was the distinguished Daniel DeMotte, one of the pioneer preachers of Indiana. His father, the Rev. John B. DeMotte, was for more than fifty years a successful pastor of the Northwest Indiana Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Dr. DeMotte was graduated from the Indiana Asbury University (now DePauw) in 1874, taking the degree of A.B. In 1878 he was married to Miss Lelia L. Washburn of Clinton, Indiana, also a graduate of the same institution. This union was blessed with two boys--Lawrence W. DeMotte, master in the Jacob Tome Institute, Maryland, and John B. DeMotte, a student of DePauw University.

Dr. DeMotte received the degree of A.M. and Ph.D. pro merito from his Alma Mater. He was also honored with the degree of M.D. from the College of Physicians and Surgeons. For ten years he was principal of the preparatory department of DePauw University. He was for six years the adjunct professor of mathematics, and in 1882 became full professor of physics in the university. He made this department famous. His lecture room and laboratories were crowded with students attracted by his enthusiasm and the charm of his personality.

The Doctor was an intense lover of music and did much to make the music school of the university what it is now. The Mozart Club of the college and the chorus choir of the College Avenue Church were organizations which he sustained with marked success for many years.

In 1891 he severed his relation as professor with the university and began his great public career as a lecturer. His engagements took him to every State in the Union, and he became pre-eminent among the platform men of America. He made four trips abroad for study and recreation, and was busy with the preparation of a new lecture, "The Fever of Life," when the end came.

He was a close student of historical movements, and saw clearly the tendencies of the times. His insight into character may almost be said to be a "gift." His love for the beautiful amounted to a passion. He was a man of tender sympathies, and always ready to lift the burden from another's shoulder and carry it himself. Literally thousands of young people in all parts of the Republic have been lifted up by contact with this noble man. The burden of his message was, "What you are to be you are now becoming."

He was a Christian gentleman. He met magnificently every demand of Christian citizenship. He was a young soldier in the civil war. He was the relentless enemy of the American saloon and

* As abbreviated for
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the kindred abominations that gather about it. Every call for the betterment of society found an answering echo in his heart. He is gone, "but we shall not soon see his like again."

"Servant of God, well done;
Thy glorious warfare's past,
Thy battle's fought, thy race is run,
And thou art crowned at last."

Address by Dr. Hillary A. Gobin

We are assembled here at this time not simply to sympathize with this bereaved family, but we are all mourners, we are all a grief-stricken people. When the tidings went forth last Sunday night and Monday morning that Dr. DeMotte had gone every one felt a strong impulse to say: "It can not be true. His work is not done. He can not be spared." But when we came to realize that the sad announcement was true we could not find words to express our sense of loss.

It seems strange and unexpected that we are here in this funeral service at this time. Our brother was looking forward with much interest to the meeting of our conference. With his usual generosity he was planning to proffer large and free hospitality in his beautiful home. He had expected to entertain his good friend, Bishop McDowell, and had made ample preparations for the meetings of the Bishop and the Presiding Elders. But, possibly, after all, he will do much to make this a great Conference session. We as ministers are brought into a tender mood and a submissive spirit by this great sorrow. Our Conference seems to be spiritualized, even glorified, by this event. It is fitting that the body of Dr. DeMotte should rest for a brief time in the midst of this assembly of ministers. In a sense he seems to have been a son of our Conference. Some of these brethren knew his grandfather, Rev. Daniel DeMotte, for many years the agent of the University. Well do I remember his visits to my father's house in my early boyhood. He was the first person who awakened in me a desire to seek a collegiate education. I well remember his fine personality, noble presence, original and independent thought, a man of large information by his extensive reading and deeply impressive in his manner of expression. He did a large part to give to our church power and prosperity in the pioneer period of her history. A much larger number remember Rev. John B. DeMotte, the father of Dr. DeMotte. He was a fine type of the true Christian gentleman, always courteous, sensible and kind. His record as a preacher is without a shadow of reproach, always interesting, edifying and persuasive. The circle is still further extended when we think of the number of our Conference who knew Dr. DeMotte personally. Probably every one here has heard one or more of his brilliant lectures. We all knew him as a most impressive teacher of the richest and best truths. He utilized the latest discoveries in science to make more vivid the highest principles in ethics.

In his boyhood he was ambitious to provide the means for his education. For a time he was clerk in the store of Mr. Granville Hull, of Lafayette. He might have been very successful in commercial life, but he preferred to deal in ideas, the commerce of the mind. He became a teacher in the High School of Lafayette, and greatly enjoyed the work. With a view of fitting himself for more efficient work as a teacher he re-entered DePauw, and was graduated in 1874. He had assisted as tutor during his last two years in college, and upon receiving his bachelor's degree was elected principal of the academy. This was a great recognition. But it was

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evident that no mistake had been made, for he continued in this position for ten years, and was then elected head professor of the department of physics. Here he found a fine field for his skill in teaching by illustrative experiments. I chanced to call upon him on an item of business when he was about to begin a lecture on "Hearing" to the pupils of the seventh and eighth grades in the public schools. He used a large sectional model of the ear, certain musical instruments and children from his audience as subjects. It was an hour never to be forgotten, full of excitement, surprises, delightful discoveries and abiding impressions.

It was this success in illustrative teaching that led him into the lecture field. He had no expectation of becoming a public speaker. It was then the custom for members of the faculty to give in turn a lecture in the college chapel on Sunday afternoon. DeMotte abhorred this requirement. He had such a high estimate of what such a lecture ought to be that he felt that he could not afford to take from his class work the time necessary to make proper preparation. He said to a colleague in the faculty: "This Sunday lecture breaks me up for three weeks." But, according to his spirit and method, he made skillful use of the hour, and the students and general public began to give evidences of special appreciation of his efforts. His reputation as a lecturer became a surprise to himself, and numerous calls came to him from committees and lyceums in various cities. I need not speak of his success as a lecturer. That has been done in a most gracious and complete manner by his honored colleague, Dr. John.

We should remember this: Dr. DeMotte gave many illustrations in a scientific manner of the best way to build character, but his best illustration was in his own life. He not only taught others how to do it, but he did it in such a complete way himself as to bring to mind the saying of the Great Teacher, "I am the way, the truth and the life."

I need not mention the precious legacy he has left to his bereaved wife and sons. We all know how he loved his home. Nothing was too good or too expensive for his family. He loved his town, his neighbors and his many friends. The great multitude without, as well as within this auditorium, testifies to his high place in the esteem and love of the people. Richer than houses and lands, or stocks and bonds, or gold and silver, is the good name, beloved name, that he leaves to his sons.

This scene reminds us of the many teachers of DePauw who have gone to the better country. A goodly company of noble, glorified spirits. Our brother has entered into that fellowship holy and eternal. May we all so live that we also shall have an abundant entrance into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Address by Dr. J. P. D. John

The Public Career of John B. DeMotte, Ph. D.

For more than a dozen years Dr. John B. DeMotte was easily the most popular lyceum lecturer on the American platform. He was at the same time one of the most useful and helpful of all our platform speakers.

I have weighed these words carefully, and I utter them with deliberation. It is a common tendency in the moment of enthusiasm to use superlative terms, such as "this is the greatest sermon or lecture I ever heard," and "that preacher or orator is the most eloquent that ever visited our city." But this is not so much a moment for enthusiasm as for calm reflection; and I repeat with emphasis the statement I have made that the most popular American platform lecturer of this opening decade of the twentieth century was John B. DeMotte.

Put it to vote among the most prominent men and women on the platform, who are too broad-minded to be envious or jealous of a competitor's success, and they will almost with one accord corroborate my estimate. Put it to vote among the committees who manage the principal lyceum courses, and they will give the same answer with still greater emphasis.

Dr. DeMotte appeared in nearly every star lecture course in the United States, and in many of the principal ones he was called back time after time, and was received with increased enthusiasm and appreciation.

Now, all this must have a meaning. Lecturers are not asked to return unless they did something notable on their former appearance. There are many hundreds of lecturers on the platform, and a lyceum course, which generally seeks both variety and novelty, does not need to repeat from lack of abundant choice. And there are courses enough in operation to tax the capacity of a lecturer for a lifetime without his return for a second occasion to any one of them.

The meaning is simply this: Dr. DeMotte always rendered notable service. He went before the people with a burning message. The average lecture audience does not want a lecturer to preach, and yet Dr. DeMotte preached in every lecture, and was called back to preach again. The average audience wants jokes, but Dr. DeMotte rarely joked on the platform. His message was too serious and lofty to be punctuated with extracts from the almanac. And yet they called him back. The average audience wants something light, and which does not require much thinking; but Dr. DeMotte's lectures were thoughtful, and the people that heard them had to think; and yet they called him back that they might think in the same way again.

The real explanation of his phenomenal success was that the people believed in him and the vital messages that he brought to them.

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True, he could have presented the same messages in an unattractive way without creating great enthusiasm, for there are other men on the platform who have tried to imitate him, but with only indifferent success.

The pictures helped, but his message did not depend on the pictures. He was, it is true, a genius in pictorial illustration. Still, I have seen lantern pictures perhaps as artistic and excellent as his; but they illustrated no great truth or consuming conviction uttered by the speaker. In most cases of illustrated addresses the lecture is for the picture, not the picture for the lecture. Drop out the illustration, and nothing is left. But the message behind Dr. DeMotte's illustrations, though made more effective by the pictures, was independent of them.

His themes touched some of the most delicate but profound facts in human life. Yet the delicate facts were handled with such skill as to leave no offense, and the profound facts with such ability that the uninstructed could follow him.

He emphasized the philosophy of habit, and showed that it works along good as well as evil lines. He emphasized the doctrine of heredity, and showed that our destiny is in our own keeping. He emphasized the law of sowing and reaping, and by means of unassailable facts demonstrated with tremendous force that if our youth sow the wind, the harvest will not be the calm, but the harvest will be the wind. And since the harvest is more abundant than the sowing, the wind sown will be the whirlwind when the day of reaping comes.

We can not see why that voice is hushed. It seems to us that it should have gone on, ringing out over our land the great gospel of right thinking and right living, and that our young men and women should longer have heard its notes of encouragement and warning.

That prince of platform orators, John B. Gough, shouted back to the shore as he was crossing the river of death, "Tell the young men to keep their record clean!" The keynote of Dr. DeMotte's injunction in private and public speech was: "Young men and women, be clean; be pure. Cultivate inward purity. Clean thoughts will reappear in a clean life, and impure imaginations will disfigure the sturdiest and most symmetrical character."

I thank God for Dr. DeMotte's message to this generation. Multiplied thousands have heard it, and have been strengthened, uplifted and inspired to better lives.

The shadow of his death falls not alone upon the stricken wife and sorrowing sons; not alone upon this church, of which he was a faithful and useful member; not alone upon this community, who carried him in their hearts with pure esteem and affection; but the shadow falls on the great company of men and women who have been his co-workers in public life throughout the length and breadth of our land. The news of his ascension has already been carried from

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sea to sea, and multiplied thousands of the platform and the lyceum are saying in the hush of their sorrow, "Our hearts are heavy, for he will speak to us no more,"

And God Himself has said, "Well done, good and faithful servant. Come up higher."

The messenger passes away, but the message abides.

September 14, 1907.

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Address by Bishop W. F. McDowell

My small right to say even a word this afternoon is due to the fact that I was to have been, during the conference session, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. DeMotte in their home. It touches me deeply to know that among his last thoughts were thoughts of my comfort and happiness. This was precisely like him, apparently. Always he was thinking chiefly of others rather than of himself.

I did not at the beginning of my life plan to become interested in Greencastle. The town did not get into my horizon in my early years. And yet I can trace various ways by which through the years I have become strangely related to the town. Seventeen years ago, when we first went to make our home in the Rocky Mountain country, among the first, I think I may say the first, valuable friendship we formed was with two Greencastle people. And when, a few years after, Anna Martin was brought back from Denver to be buried here, was formed the first strong influence that tied us to this place. Later I came in an official capacity to the city, and found in Philip Baker--dear Philip Baker--not only a genial host, but a sincere and valued friend who was exceedingly precious, and whose early death was a permanent loss. So through the years the ties that have bound me to this town have grown and multiplied, until I find myself wondering at my relation to it.

I can not help thinking, as I sit here, how many representative men and women have been here and are here, and of the greatness of a small town. It is really amazing to consider how big a small place may become. This village does not occupy a large space on the map or on the globe. It does not command large space in commercial reports. But its lines are literally gone out to the ends of the earth. You remember the old statement that on the map Athens might easily be covered with the tip of a lead pencil. But from Athens have gone out those forces which in certain high realms rule the world today. Greencastle might also be covered with the tip of one's finger or the point of a lead pencil. I am told that certain swift trains do not pay any attention to it except to whistle. Geographically and commercially it is not of surpassing importance. In certain lines it would not hold rank among the leading towns of Indiana, and certainly not among the leading towns of the Republic. And yet Greencastle is fortunate in having among its people men and women who are interested in the higher life of mankind, and the place would occupy an advanced position in relation to the world and all that it does. Because here is raised that most valuable product the old world knows, potent personalities. The small village has this large place because of the lives of the men who have gone out from it and who have walked up and down these streets.

The other day I asked a leading school superintendent in the State of Ohio who was the most influential educator in that State. And without any hesitation he replied that it was Dr. DeMotte. When

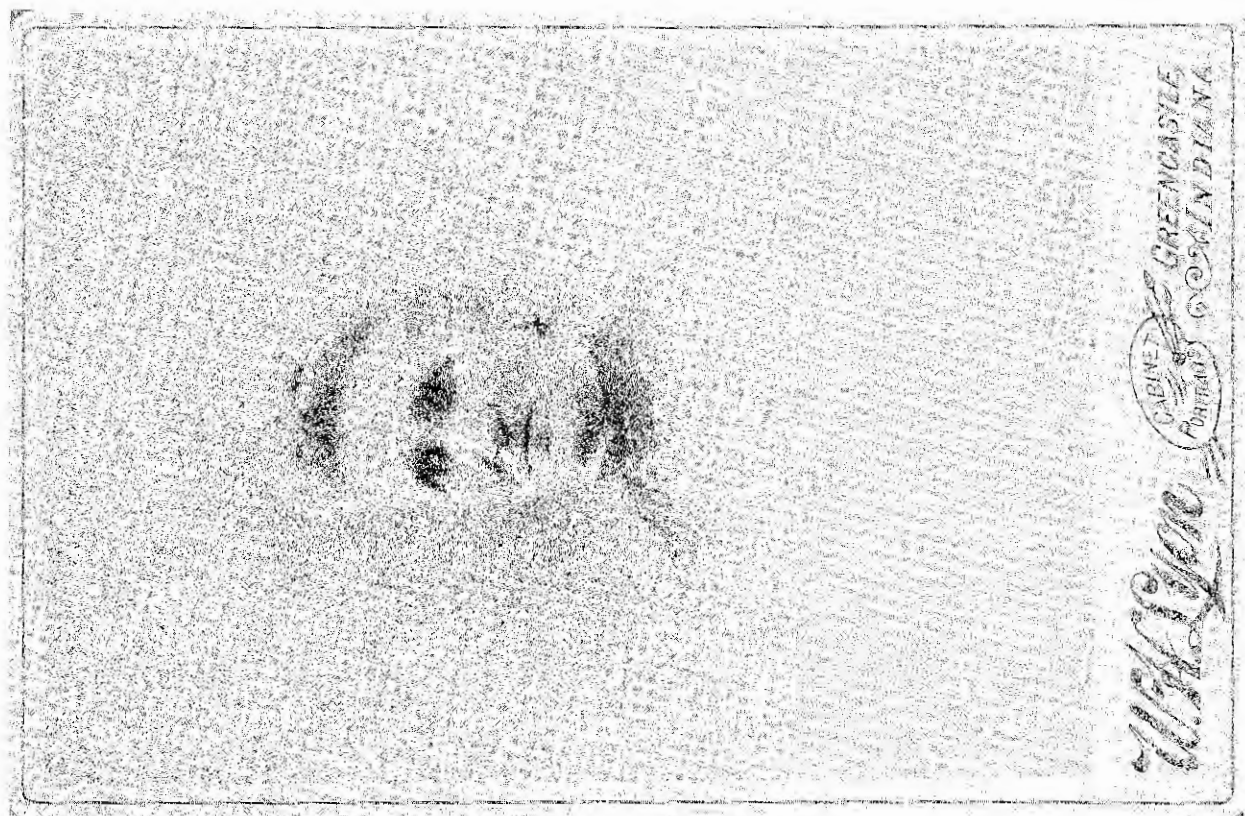
I asked him to explain why he had replied in this fashion, he replied that Dr. DeMotte was leading young people to thinking right on the great problems of living right; that parents and children were so influenced that everywhere he went lives were made better for his services. This is what this compelling, winning personality has done in the world.

I remember reading a story of Horace Bushnell. He was talking one day with a friend, and this friend said to him: "Dr. Bushnell, when you get to heaven, one of the angels seated by the Master will see you approaching Him and will say to the Master, 'This is a man you know.'" Bushnell waited a moment in silence, and replied: "I trust so. I trust so. And I think I may say that I shall know Him."

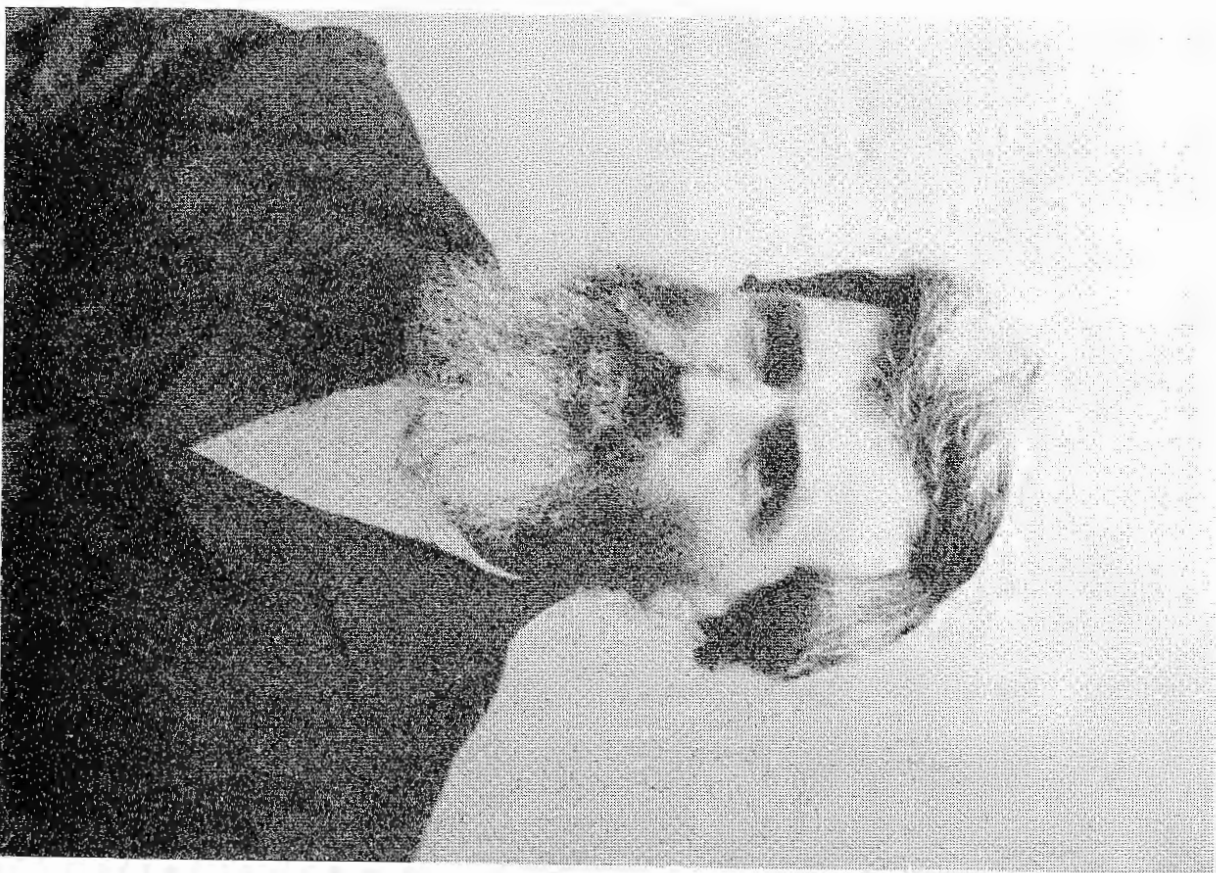
And so it might be said of your St. John who slipped out of your sight. When he walks up those shining heights he will greet One who knows him and One whom he already knows. He slipped out in the night into the eternal day. And there at last, God helping us, we shall find him again, and we shall never be parted from him any more forever.



Laurence Washburn De Motte



Serena J. Washburn, Wife of Gen. Washburn



David Banta DeMotte, 1832-1900.



Sarah Greene DeMotte 1834-1903.



General Henry Dana Washburn 1832-1871
Comm. 18th Vol. Ind. Inf.

WASHBURN'S CAREER AS SOLDIER-EXPLORER RECALLED

[By J. P. Dunn]

The archives department of the State Library has had the good fortune to obtain a portrait of General Henry D. Washburn.

Never heard of him? Well, he was one of Indiana's notable soldiers in the civil war, and after the war he put the whole nation under obligations to him by his service in the exploration and reservation of the Yellowstone National park. There may possibly be one person in 10,000 in Indiana to whom this information will not be news, and yet he was a man in whom Indiana might justly take pride.

Henry Dana Washburn was born at Windsor, Vt., March 28, 1832. In the same year his parents moved to Wayne county, Ohio, and in 1850 came on to Vermilion county, Indiana. They were not wealthy, and at the age of thirteen Henry was apprenticed to a tanner, but he did not like the occupation and, after succeeding in getting a common school education, he began teaching school. He then took up the study of law and in 1853 was graduated from the New York State and National Law School. He at once hung out his shingle at Newport, Ind., and began his career as an adopted Hoosier.

He was a natural leader, and quickly attained local prominence. In 1854 he was appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of the county auditor, and in 1856 was elected to that office, serving until 1861. At the outbreak of the war he raised a company of volunteers, which became Company C of the 18th Indiana regiment, but before they were mustered in he received a commission as lieutenant-colonel of the 18th, and on August 16 he was mustered into the service with that rank. The regiment was sent to Missouri, and was started to the relief of Colonel Mulligan, who was confronted by a superior force, under General Price, at Lexington. It was on this expedition that scouting parties from the 18th and 22d Indiana regiments mistook each other for enemies, in the night, the encounter resulting in the death of thirteen men and the mortal wounding of Major Gordon Tanner, of Indianapolis.

Retook Guns of Peoria Battery.

The 18th won its first laurels at Pea Ridge, where, under command of Washburn, it retook the guns of a Peoria battery that had been captured by the rebels, and was thanked on the field for its service. On July 15, 1862, Washburn was made colonel of the regiment, and thereafter saw active service under Generals Pope, Curtis and Davison, in Missouri; under Grant at Vicksburg, and later in the east under General Butler, and in the Shenandoah valley under Sheridan. He was made a brevet brigadier-general on December 15, 1864, and major-general on July 26, 1865, "for gallant and meritorious service during the war."

While serving under Sheridan he was nominated for the congress by the Republicans of the Seventh district against Daniel W. Voorhees, and he took leave of absence long enough to make a campaign. The returns of the election of 1864 gave Voorhees a majority of 584, but Washburn contested, and as the house was Republican it disposed of the charges and counter-charges of fraud by seating Washburn. He was re-



GEN. HENRY D. WASHBURN.

elected in 1866, defeating Judge Solomon Claypool. He declined to run again, and was appointed surveyor-general of Montana by President Grant at the close of his term in the congress.

Up to this time the headwaters of the Yellowstone had never been explored. There had been some reports about them from Indians and stray trappers; and in 1859 Captain Reynolds had been sent to explore them, but he did not succeed in reaching the park. In 1869, David E. Folsom and C. W. Cook, two Helena men, decided to make a little private exploration, and were rewarded by a first sight of many of the wonders of the region. Folsom wrote an account of the trip and sent it to Harper's Monthly, from which, in due time, he received his manuscript, with a broad intimation that the Monthly was not using fakes. He then sent it to the Western Monthly, published at Chicago, which used it after cutting out the more improbable parts.

Led Party of Exploration.

But the explorers found a less skeptical mind in Washburn; and soon half a dozen prominent Helena men were interested in the matter. Washburn brought it to the attention of General Sheridan, and obtained the promise of a military escort. Late in the summer of 1870 a party of fourteen civilians, under command of Washburn, left Helena. On August 22 they picked up their escort, consisting of Lieutenant Doane, of the 2d cavalry, and five men, at Ft. Ellis, and then moved on to the first official exploration of the Yellowstone.

They were more fortunate than Folsom with their publicity. N. P. Langford, of the party, sent an account of the trip to Scribner's Magazine, which published the article, with illustrations, in May, 1871. The editors in November, 1871, followed this with the story of T. C. Everts, another member of the party, who became separated from the others and was lost for thirty-seven days without any weapons or supplies of any kind. He lived almost wholly on

thistle roots, which he boiled in the hot springs. He became delirious and imagined that he was accompanied by a group of spectral associates. Finally he was found and rescued by a couple of wandering ranchmen, and so happily ended one of the most unique adventures of American frontier life. In February, 1872, Scribner's published a third article, by K. V. Hayden, who had been sent out by the government, on the reports from the Washburn party, to make a geological survey of the region.

Immediately after their return members of the Washburn party took steps to have the wonderland reserved as a national park. The Montana representative in the congress was charged with this mission, and with the timely aid of photographs taken by the Hayden party, succeeded. On March 1, 1872, a bill was passed reserving 3,575 square miles to which about 2,000 square miles have since been added.

Washburn did not live to see this result. He had started east in behalf of the enterprise, but he was in the last stages of consumption, and on January 28, 1871, he died at Clinton, Ind., at the home of his father-in-law, Aquilla Nebeker. He was buried with distinguished honors by the Knights Templars, of which he was a member. He has a noble monument in Mt. Washburn, from which one of the finest panoramic views of the park is obtained, and from which his party had their first view of it.

FUNERAL OF MRS. DEMOTTE.

A very large concourse of people gathered at College Avenue Methodist church at two o'clock this afternoon, to attend the funeral services of Mrs. DeMotte. There were many flowers, remembrances from organizations and individuals. The entire Theta Alumnae Club and active chapter of the Theta sorority and the Washburn chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution entered the church behind the family and occupied seats together. The program was practically all arranged by Mrs. DeMotte herself and was as follows:

Organ Voluntary, Traumerle, Miss Potter.

Quartet, Jesus Lover of My Soul, by the College Avenue quartet choir.

Prayer, Dr. J. P. D. John, concluded by the Kappa Alpha Theta Chant.

Scripture reading, Dr. Robbins, the pastor.

Solo, Crossing the Bar, Mrs. Jesse W. Welk.

Life Sketch, Dr. J. W. Walker of Goodland.

Address, Dr. Robbins.

Quartet, We Shall Sleep but Not Forever.

In his address, Dr. Robbins commented upon the calmness with which Mrs. DeMotte prepared for the final services, and read from her letter to her mother, in which she said, "I want him (Dr. Robbins) to talk about twenty minutes about the love of our Heavenly Father as shown in the marvelous provisions he has made for us, to satisfy every phase of our life's necessities and the enjoyment of the beautiful, etc. Then if this life is so abundantly arranged for our happiness here, what of the heavenly home! Christians should be the happiest people in the world—a Heavenly home and happy reunion. There are two texts with which I want Brother Robbins to close his talk. One is

DEATH OF J. B. DeMOTTE

END CAME TO NOTED LECTURER
AT HIS HOME ON EAST SEMINARY STREET SUNDAY EVENING AT 8 O'CLOCK AFTER AN ILLNESS OF A WEEK.

HEART DISEASE THE CAUSE

Was Stricken While in York, Neb., Last Week---Went to Chicago, Where He Dropped on the Street and Came Near Dying---Brought Home Last Tuesday.

The death of Dr. John B. DeMotte was singularly beautiful and tragic. It was beautiful because his work was done. He had finished his series of lectures. He had come home to rest. Next year he was to spend for himself, so far as such a man can live for self. To die thus, with work done, is beautiful. To die at the beginning of recess, with the rest-time ahead, with dreams of happy days unfulfilled, that is tragic.

Dr. DeMotte had just returned from a tour of the chautauqs of the middle West.

At 8 o'clock Sunday evening at his home on East Seminary street occurred the death of John B. DeMotte. Heart disease was the cause of his death. Mr. DeMotte had been con-



DR. JOHN B. DEMOTTE.

fined to his bed since last Tuesday, when he was brought home from Chicago. He was believed to be getting much better yesterday. The end came suddenly. Mrs. DeMotte was alone with her husband when death came.

Mr. DeMotte was stricken with heart trouble while in York, Neb., last week. He was there to deliver a lecture. He immediately went to Chicago, cancelling the last date of his tour in order to come home.

While in Chicago Mr. DeMotte was taken suddenly worse and fell while walking down the street. He was taken to a hospital and came near dying while there. As soon as he recovered sufficiently to warrant traveling he was brought home. This was last Tuesday. He had been confined to his bed ever since, but was believed to be getting much better.

Mr. DeMotte was 59 years old. He leaves a widow and two sons, John B. Jr. of this city, and Lawrence of New York. On account of the telegraphers' strike the latter could not be notified of the death of his father until Monday, when the long distance telephone was used.

Dr. DeMotte was a member of the faculty of DePauw University for many years. For the past twenty years, however, he has devoted his time to the lecture platform. His contract with the American and Redpath Lyceum Bureau would have expired soon and Dr. DeMotte had determined to retire and go into private life as soon as he was free from the lecture platform.

A BEAUTIFUL LIFE ENDED.

Dr. John B. DeMotte Called to the Rest Earned by a Life of Unselfish Labor.

Scarcely within memory has our city been so shocked as it was last night as the news, unexpected and terrible, spread in widening circles that Dr. DeMotte was dead. Scarcely within memory has the city mourned so universally. To the whole of Greencastle his death has been like the death of a relative—one dearly loved. He was near to our city. In our university he was educated. There, too, he began the work of life. From its doors he went out to become the teacher of a higher and nobler knowledge, of self to a listening nation. This man, one of the greatest lecturers of the United States, was loved as a man for his manhood. He was respected as a citizen for his citizenship, honored as a scholar for his learning. True himself, he made others respect truth. Pure himself, he preached purity. Honest in purpose, he lived the hard and wearying life of the lecture field, because he believed he had a mission.

WIDOW OF J. B. DeMOTTE DIES IN INDIANAPOLIS

GREENCASTLE WOMAN ACTIVE IN CLUB LIFE.

GEN. WASHBURN'S DAUGHTER

[Special to The Indianapolis News.]

GREENCASTLE, Ind., February 24.—Mrs. Lella Laura DeMotte, age fifty-five, daughter of General H. D. Washburn, and widow of J. B. DeMotte, lecturer and former professor of physics in DePauw university, died last night at Dr. Eastman's sanatorium in Indianapolis, following a serious illness. At the time of her death Mrs. DeMotte was president of the Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Club, regent of the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, a member of the Woman's Club, the Tuesday Reading Circle, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the College Avenue Methodist Episcopal church and other religious organizations.

Mrs. DeMotte was born in Newport on September 13, 1855. Her father, H. D. Washburn, was a brigadier-general in the civil war and later was elected to congress from the Fifth congressional district of Indiana. General Washburn was later appointed to the position of surveyor-general of the state of Montana and it was he who commanded the expedition in 1870-71 which opened Yellowstone park.

Married in Boston.

Miss Washburn was graduated from DePauw in the class of 1877, and it was while in school here that she formed an acquaintance with J. B. DeMotte. Later, the young woman went to Boston to study art, and she was married to Mr. DeMotte in that city, in January, 1878, by the Rev. J. W. Walker, formerly district superintendent of the Greencastle district of the Methodist Episcopal church, who was studying for the ministry at that time.

After their marriage Mr. DeMotte accepted the chair of physics in DePauw university. And his bride continued her studies, receiving the degree of master of arts in 1880. She accompanied Professor DeMotte in his travels through Europe in after years and gathered a large collection of rare pieces of foreign furniture, tapestry and art, which were destroyed in a fire which burned Elmwood, the home-stead, several years ago.

Mrs. DeMotte was the mother of two sons, both of whom are living. They are Lawrence W. DeMotte, head master in the Army and Navy school, at Washington, and John DeMotte, who is in the real estate business in Tacoma, Wash. A brother, Dr. Aquilla Washburn, lives in Clinton, while Mrs. DeMotte's mother, Mrs. Lereña Johnson Washburn, lives in this city.

Thousands everywhere declare his belief was true. His life has been an example of high living singularly free from worldliness.

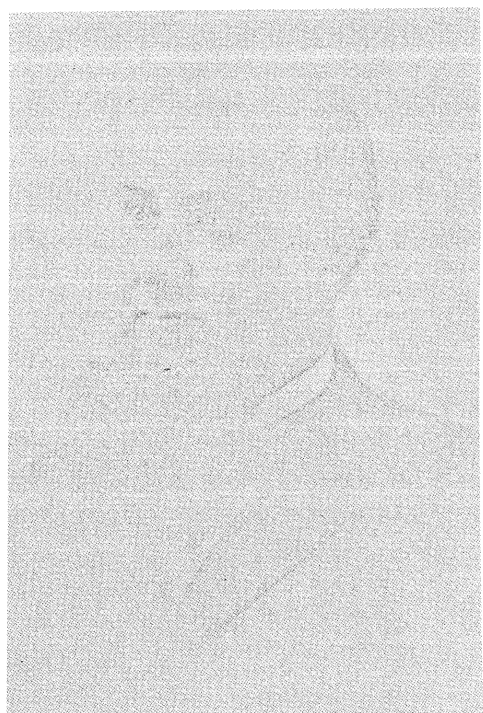
All this we have lost. As a city we mourn, mourn the passing of the scholar, the teacher and the citizen. More than all we mourn the passing of the friend and the man. Greencastle is better because John DeMotte lived here, and from full hearts we acknowledge the debt. Today from every home goes forth the sympathy and heartfelt respect that no words, public or private, may say. Today our city mourns its dead.

HARVEY C. DEMOTTE.

PROFESSOR OF MATHEMATICS, 1861-84.

Upon his return from the service he resumed his duties as pro-

During nearly all the history of the Illinois Wesleyan University, Harvey C. DeMotte, M. A., Ph. D., has been a prominent factor in its growth and prosperity. He was born in Greene county, Illinois, in 1838. His boyhood being spent upon the farm as a tiller of the soil, his early educational advantages were not of a superior character; but, naturally fond of books, he determined to secure the best education to be obtained by one in his condition. With a stout heart and fixed purpose, he entered school at Metamora, Illinois, in 1856, and soon afterwards found his way to Bloomington. He was graduated from the Illinois Wesleyan University in 1861; having shown special aptitude as a tutor and remarkable ability as a student in mathematics, he was elected professor of mathematics on the day preceding his graduation. While in college he was chiefly instrumental in the organization of the Belles Lettres literary society, and has always been its friend and helper. In 1862 he enlisted in the army in the defense of the Union and served as first lieutenant in the 69th Illinois Volunteers.



HARVEY C. DEMOTTE.

fessor of mathematics at the university, which he performed so ably and conscientiously, as is known by most of the students who have received instruction in its halls. In 1884 he resigned the professorship to accept the presidency of Chaddock College, Quincy, Illinois. This position he held until 1887, when he was elected superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home, Normal, Illinois. While Dr. DeMotte was admirably fitted for the chair of mathematics, it seemed that the superintendency of this great institution, a home for the Union soldiers' orphans, afforded him his natural element. His superintendency was most economical, most wise and popular. In the performance of his duties he was most ably seconded by Mrs. DeMotte, who was equally well adapted to the position she occupied as matron of the Home. Their kindness of heart, suavity of manner and comprehensive knowledge of child nature enabled them to make a record in the home that will be hard to surpass. Dr. DeMotte has always been a careful, industrious student. In 1877 the degree of Ph. D. *in absentia* was conferred upon him on examination by Syracuse University and in 1883 Baker University honored him with the degree of

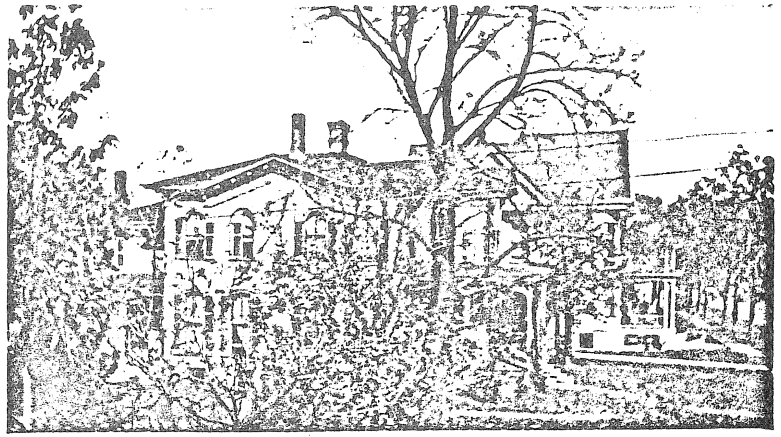
LL. D. He was a member of the General Conference of 1882 and has often represented his own church in the lay electoral conferences. As a scholar he was master in his own department; as a teacher he was clear, inspiring and sympathetic; as a man he was universally respected and truly loved by most of the students who received instruction at his hand. Many a timid, almost discouraged youth has been made free and courageous by his kindness and appropriate word of encouragement, and none ever appealed to him for help and sympathy and were repulsed.

Mrs. DeMotte, a most accomplished woman, served as principal of the model school from 1863 to 1867. She also rendered most valuable service to the institution as a member of the Woman's Educational Association, and like her husband, has ever been loyal to the interests of the University. Their only daughter Clara is now a member of the junior class.

CLASS OF 1861.

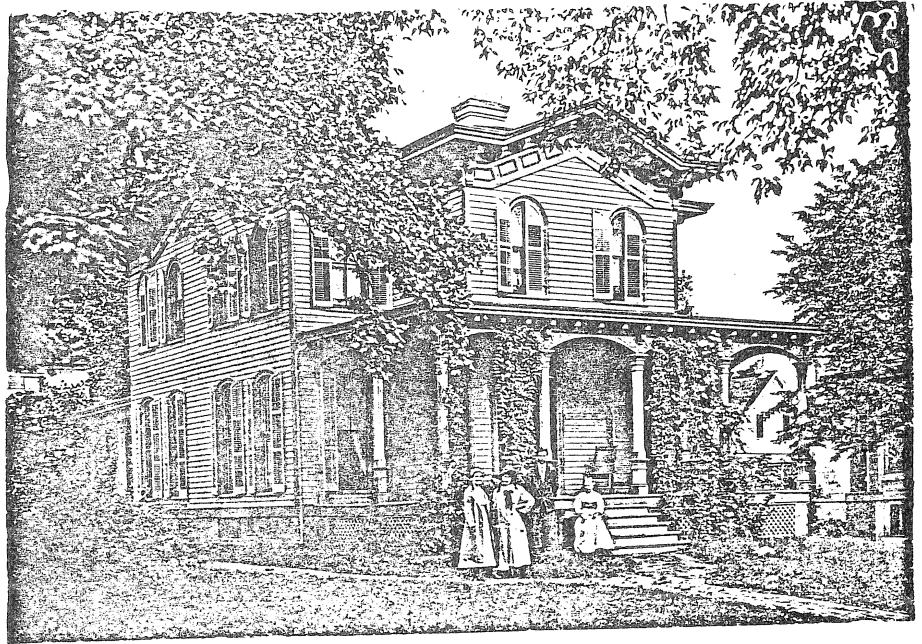
3. Harvey Clelland DeMotte, B. S., M. A., Ph. D. (Syracuse), 1883. Bloomington, Illinois.

1862, First Lieutenant Company G, 68th Illinois Volunteers; 1862-1884, Professor of Mathematics Illinois Wesleyan University; 1884-1887, President Chaddock College, Quincy, Illinois; 1887-1894, superintendent Soldiers' Orphans' Home, Normal, Illinois; 1895, Secretary of the Central Union Building and Loan Association, Bloomington, Illinois. Married Sara I. Kern in 1864. One child, Clara, now a junior in the University. See page 85.



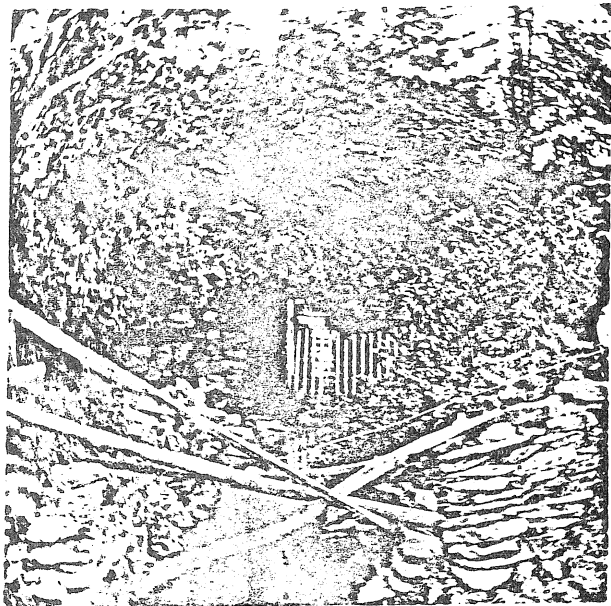
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in 1791

Between Danville
and Harrodsburg, Ky.



Cove Spring DeMottes Settled here
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The Highbanks House in 1956. Abandoned for many years.



The John De Motte Homeplace,
built in 1870.



Mrs. Estella Craig,
Mrs. Ella Bauer, and
Mrs. Bess Stewart
at the old homeplace in 1955.



Sarah J. De Motte



Prof. Harvey Clelland DeMotte 1838-1904
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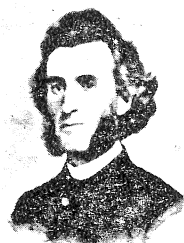
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CHAPTER 8

WAR COMES TO THE CAMPUS

On September 19, 1860, the *Daily Pantagraph* reported that Wesleyan had begun its fall term "with indications of a more encouraging attendance than last year" and throughout the next nine months it continued to publicize the university with optimistic reports on its progress and repeated praise for the Munsells' endeavor to put it on a sound scholastic and financial basis. Although their efforts to raise money and collect funds already pledged were greatly "embarrassed by the uncertainty connected with our currency in this State and the general troubles of the country,"¹ they earned the thanks of the trustees at the annual meeting—President Munsell "for his great pecuniary sacrifice and his very efficient and successful efforts and indefatigable zeal for the cause and success of Illinois Wesleyan University," and Agent Munsell "whose services and success have surpassed our expectation and, considering the financial condition of the country, it is almost marvelous that he should have secured any portion of the endowment fund."

Both the uncertainty as to the financial structure of the state and nation and the threat of impending war were reflected in the enrollment which totaled 92, only one more than the previous year. But again the quality of the students' work earned the approval of those citizens who, in April, 1861, attended the "examinations and the first annual exhibition" of the Belles Lettres Society.² The latter, according to the *Pantagraph*,³ consisted of an "anniversary address and a scene, representing a session of the United States Senate in which the oratorical talent and genius of the young gentlemen of the university were developed with a gravity and dignity bordering on moral grandeur, deeply impressing the visitors with the value that should be attached to such an Institution in the heart of Illinois."

At its first war Commencement—held July 3, 1861, amid "torrents of rain"—Wesleyan conferred the bachelor's degree on two seniors, Peter Warner of Kappa and H. C. DeMotte of Metamora. It also gave an honorary Master of Arts degree to Richard H. Holder,

Esq., (presumably for his gift of the Natural History cabinet and other contributions) and A.M. degrees *in cursu* to its first and second graduates, James H. Barger and W. F. Short, both of whom were now Methodist ministers. Within four months Barger, its first graduate, would be dead of gunshot wounds—not on the field of battle, however, but in a hunting accident.⁴

When the next academic year opened in September, 1861, Rev. Thomas R. Taylor had joined the faculty as professor of Greek, replacing Edward B. Munsell who had resigned. DeMotte, while doing graduate work, was occupying the chair of mathematics at a salary of \$300 a year and serving as university librarian. The total enrollment was 96—one graduate student, three seniors, three juniors, 12 sophomores, 32 freshmen and 45 in the preparatory department.

There would have been four juniors this year, had not Sophomore George H. Fifer joined the army soon after school began. Appointed orderly sergeant of Company C, 33d. Illinois Infantry, he became a first lieutenant at Vicksburg and died of wounds received during the attack on Fort Esperanza, Texas, in the winter of 1863, thus becoming Wesleyan's first battle casualty. But his younger brother, who had also enlisted in Company C a month earlier, would serve until 1864 before he was discharged because of the bullet that pierced his lungs at Jackson, Miss., the previous year. Then "Private Joe" Fifer would enroll in the preparatory department at Wesleyan, graduate in the class of 1868 and start on the career that would culminate in his being elected governor of Illinois.⁵

Thus far the impact of war on the university had been scarcely noticeable and, when the regular examination and exhibition were held at the end of the second quarter, the main feature was a debate which, instead of reflecting the mighty struggle that was convulsing the nation, was concerned with the rather innocuous subject of "Resolved: that curiosity is a more powerful incentive to human action than necessity."⁶ However, the restlessness of youth in wartime is reflected in President Munsell's report that "two were dismissed, one for bad conduct, the other for refusing to attend an examination and one expelled for bad conduct," although he did not state the difference between dismissal and expulsion.

Among the President's other troubles during the year was a violent windstorm that unroofed the college building, necessitating repairs costing nearly \$1,000, and an academic storm under that same

roof a short time before it was demolished. "When the roof blew off, people thought it a misfortune, but I thought it a blessing," Munsell declared afterwards. "For the citizens of Bloomington came to our help and by their aid we got a new and better roof." As for the academic storm, it was precipitated when "complaints were made by the students in Professor Snow's Department, alleging that he injudiciously combined classes by which some were greatly retarded and others prematurely hurried forward—that the members of the Faculty had sought to induce the Professor to change his arrangement of classes, without success, and that some eight of the more advanced scholars in the Classical Department had announced their intention of quitting the institution unless there was a change in Prof. Snow's Dept." Although Snow vehemently denied these charges in a letter to the trustees, he was requested to resign and, when he refused to do this, he was dismissed from the faculty.

During the night of May 24, 1862 the ringing of the college bell heralded the fact that the war had come closer to the campus. DeMotte, hurrying to the home of President Munsell, showed him a telegram from Governor Yates of Illinois asking for 200 volunteers to report in Springfield by 9 o'clock the next morning. More than three-fourths of the Wesleyan students immediately responded to the call and "with them gone the University seemed more lonely than ever."⁷ Upon the recruits' arrival in the state capital they were assigned to the 68th Illinois Infantry which was mustered into service for three months and sent to Camp Butler near Springfield to guard Confederate prisoners. Later they served in camps and forts around Washington and at Alexandria, Va., where First Lieutenant DeMotte of Company G became assistant provost marshal. In July another three months' regiment, the 70th Illinois Infantry, was mustered in for guard duty at Camp Butler and Alton and for a trip to Vicksburg to exchange prisoners. Colonel of this regiment was Owen T. Reeves, Wesleyan trustee.⁸

At the 1862 Commencement three students received their degrees: Henry W. Boyd of Bloomington, H. N. Howell of Twin Grove and William C. Adams of Center Point, Ind., who was in camp with the 68th at the time and received his diploma there. Within a week after his graduation Boyd enlisted as a hospital steward in the 94th Illinois Infantry, the "McLean County Regiment," and eventually rose to the rank of brigade surgeon.⁹

CHAPTER 8

1. *Trustees' Proceedings*. Other citations in this chapter, except as noted, are from the same source.
2. The *Alumni Journal*, I:23, gives a history of the Belles Lettres Society but fails to list the names of its founders.
3. *Daily Pantagraph*, April 3, 1861.
4. Wesleyan's first graduate was killed in a hunting accident October 31, 1861, on Pecan Island below Quincy, Ill. While he and a companion were creeping through a clump of bushes to get nearer a flock of wild geese, a vine caught on the hammer of his friend's gun, discharged it and a bullet pierced Barger's heart. *Alumni Journal*, V:42-3.
5. *Trans. McLean Co. Hist. Soc.*, I:56-7, 515-16.
6. *Daily Pantagraph*, April 2, 1862.
7. *Daily Pantagraph*, September 10, 1870. President Munsell in his speech at the laying of the cornerstone of the new college building, recalling this Civil War incident, stated that "we then had 42 students and of these 33 enlisted and with them Professor DeMotte." Checking the rolls of the 68th, as given in *Trans. McLean Co. Hist. Soc.*, I:84-6, with the *Wesleyan Catalogue*, 1861-62, shows the names of only 12 Wesleyan students in this regiment. Therefore either Munsell's recollection was faulty or the muster rolls cited above are incomplete. Most of the students who enlisted at this time were assigned to Company G of which James P. Moore (who enrolled at Wesleyan as a freshman the next year) was captain. DeMotte was first lieutenant and John H. Stout, a preparatory student, was second lieutenant. Among the sergeants were John V. W. Baumann, a sophomore, and William Collins, a junior; among the corporals were Harry G. Reeves, a freshman, and Milton A. Lapham, a prep student. Privates included George W. Barton, David Ryburn, Jonathan Sackett and Paul Vandervoort, freshmen; and Joseph Pancake and William Young, sophomores. Second lieutenant of Company F was Lewis E. Ijams, a sophomore. Mrs. Clara DeMotte Munce is the authority for the statement that her father's company was sent to Camp Butler to guard Confederate prisoners. In August another Wesleyan student enlisted—William A. Arrowsmith who had been in the prep school the previous year. He became a sergeant in Company D of the 94th Illinois Volunteers and served until July 17, 1865. *Trans. McLean Co. Hist. Soc.*, I:188. Later in the war two others, George W. Barton and David Ryburn, enlisted in Company B of the same regiment. *Ibid.*, I:97. Another Wesleyan student who served in the Union army was Charles Bradford Holmes, son of Founder W. H. Holmes. Young Holmes enlisted in the 145th Illinois Infantry, a "One-Hundred Day Regiment" which was mustered into service June 9, 1864 and must-

ered Illinois Conference. Deceased.

657. DEMOTTE, CLARA, B.S. Teacher in High School, Centralia; Homemaker; for 7 years executive secretary of the Girls' Industrial Home; for 5 years treasurer I. W. U. Woman's Guild; for 2 years Regent Leticia Green Stevenson Chapter D. A. R. Married in 1906, to Charles C. Munce; three children. 902 N. Main St., Bloomington, Ill.

Ill Wesleyan

HONOR ROLL 1929

Harvey C. DeMotte continued

DR. H.C. DeMOTTE

DIED LAST NIGHT

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Passing Prominent Educator

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Vice-President of Wesleyan Uni-
versity and One of Old Teach-
ers In the City.

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The End Came Very Suddenly

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Expired Shortly Before Midnight After a
Recurrence of an Attack of Organic
Heart Disease.

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Dr. Harvey C. DeMotte, vice president of the Wesleyan University and one of the old and prominent educators of the state of Illinois, died at his home, 901 North Main Street, at 11:30 last night.

The demise of Dr. DeMotte was very sudden, and the news of his taking off will come as a shock to the community in which he lived so long and worked so assiduously for the uplifting of the young people who have come under his influence. He had been suffering for some time with an organic heart ailment, which had caused him to temporarily give up his work at the Wesleyan University during the last week. The past few days, however, he had partially recovered, and resumed the hearing of his classes. He was at his usual place in the class room yesterday, and seemed to be much better than he had for a week past. Last evening after he retired, the old trouble returned and later in the night the members of his family became alarmed over his condition. At about 11 o'clock word was sent for Dr. Gardner, who lives just across the street at the Kelso sanitarium. But death was swift in its work, and by the time the doctor had reached the bedside of Dr. DeMotte, it was evident he was past all human aid. The end came a few moments later.

Sketch of His Life.

During nearly all the history of the Wesleyan University Dr. Harvey C. DeMotte, M.A., Ph.D., has been a prominent factor in its growth and prosperity. He was born in Greene County, Ill., July 17, 1838. His boyhood was spent upon the farm; his early educational advantages being in no way of a superior character,

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but naturally fond of books he determined to secure the best education possible. With this purpose he entered school at Metamora, Ill., in 1856, and soon afterwards found his way to Bloomington. He was graduated from the Illinois Wesleyan University in 1861. Having shown special aptitude as a tutor and remarkable ability as a student in mathematics, he was elected professor of mathematics on the day preceding his graduation. While in college he was chiefly instrumental in the organization of the Belles Lettres Literary Society and was always its friend and helper.

In 1862 Dr. DeMotte enlisted in the army for defense of the union and served as lieutenant in the Sixty-fourth Illinois volunteers, Company G. He made a very honorable war record and served until the close of the rebellion, when he resumed his duties as professor of mathematics at the Wesleyan.

In 1884 he resigned the professorship to accept the professorship of Chaddock College at Quincy, Ill. In this position he had a field for the exercise of his well-known executive abilities, and retained the same until 1887, when he was appointed superintendent of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Normal, Ill. In the latter place he found himself quite at home, for his natural endowments and large knowledge of child nature made him more of a father than a master to the hundreds of children under his charge. His superintendency was economical, wise and popular. In the performance of his duties at the home he was ably seconded by Mrs. DeMotte in the position of matron. He resigned the superintendency in 1893, and later engaged in the editorship of the Bloomington Evening Leader for about three years, associated with Hon. Owen Scott, now of Decatur. Not finding the newspaper work congenial to his temperament, he returned to the Wesleyan about 1899, and was until last year principal of the preparatory department. Last spring he was elected vice-president of the institution and made professor of mathematics and astronomy, the position to which he was first elected after graduation. Dr. DeMotte was always a careful, industrious student. In 1877 the degree of Ph. D. in absentia was conferred on him on examination by Syracuse University, and in 1886 Baker University honored him with a degree of LL.D. Dr. DeMotte has been a life-long and prominent member of the Methodist church. He was a member of the general conference in 1882 and has often represented his own church in the lay electoral conferences. His membership was in Grace church of this city and he had the honor of being a charter member and long a trustee and bible class teacher.

Dr. DeMotte was married in 1864 to Miss Sara L. Kern, daughter of the late David Kern, of Atlanta. One child, Miss Clara DeMotte, and Mrs. DeMotte survive.

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His surviving brothers and sisters are the following: Mrs. L. J. Cottie, Edgar, Neb.; McKendrie DeMotte, Sterling, Neb.; Emory DeMotte, Great Bend, Kas.; George W. DeMotte, Emporia, Kas. Dr. DeMotte was a member of Maj. Powell's exploring expedition along the Grand Canyon in Colorado. In 1874 he was in charge of the topographical survey of the Green river region. He was a charter member of E. O. Haven Council of the Royal Arcanum, the only secret society with which he was identified. He was also a charter member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.

Personally, Dr. DeMotte was a man of sunny disposition, of the kindest manner and with broad information on many lines. As a scholar, he was master in his own department. As a teacher, he was clear, inspiring and sympathetic. As a man, he was universally respected and truly loved by the students who received instruction at his hands. Many a timid youth has received kindness and been inspired with courage by an appropriate spoken word by Dr. DeMotte in times of the youth's discouragement and none ever appealed to him for help and sympathy without receiving an answer of wisdom and encouragement.

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HARVEY C. DeMOTTE, PhD.

Surviving brothers and sister:

1. Lucinda J. Cottle, Edgar, Nebraska.
2. McKendrie DeMotte, Sterling, Nebraska.
3. Emory DeMotte, Great Bend, Kansas.
4. George DeMotte, Emporia, Kansas.

Louis Cottle, Gering, Nebraska was the son of Lucinda Cottle. He served overseas in World War I as a Lieutenant.

George DeMotte, born in Green Co., Illinois, April 1847, married Mary L. Hall at Metamora, Illinois in 1869. (2) Married Mrs. Carolyn Myers, died in Emporia, Kansas.

George had 10 children, five survived him: John E.; Wm. F.; Charles S.; Clyde E.; Emma.

He was a charter member of Grace M.E. Church, Emporia, and is buried at Maplewood in Emporia. In the Civil War, he enlisted as a private in Co. A of 41st Ill. Volunteers, afterward consolidated with Co. K. 53rd Ill.

John Emory DeMotte, born May 22, 1843, married Martha E. Pinkerton, born October 19, 1851.

Daughter Lucy J. DeMotte, born April 27, 1872, died young.

Son, James Mc DeMotte, born January 23, 1874, died when a few years old.

Son, Wm. E. DeMotte, born February 1877, was married when he died, had no children.

John Lloyd DeMotte, born March 14, 1879, was married, had two daughters, Eulalia and Corrine.

Mabel DeMotte McMullin, born January 27, 1881, married - had 5 children, Lola, Jeanette, died young, the others Ruth, Lloyd, Duane and Lorraine.

Harvey Roy DeMotte, born September 5, 1883, married and has one girl, Lola.

Minnie DeMotte Carson, born February 18, 1886, married, no children.

Phoebe Jeanette DeMotte, born June 6, 1888, died at nine months.

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Thomas Henry DeMotte Family, born 1836, married (Sally?). Lived near Eureka, Illinois.

Children:

Fletcher, Joshua, Wm., Elizabeth, Zelda, Frank, Harvey, and John.

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Joshua J. De Motte (1866-1936) Married Fannie E. Van Dyke (1867-1964)
Lived and died at El Paso, Illinois. Had no children.
Elizabeth De Motte (1873-1970) Married Charles E. McDaniel 1871-1946..
Zelda De Motte died 1934. Married John M. Elliott - died 1964.
Ralph J. De Motte, a nephew 1890-1974 an executive with the Sears
Roebuck Co. and lived in Chicago, Married Meda F. 1887-1961.

(HARVEY C. DeMOTTE)

LIFE OF NOBLE WOMAN IS ENDED

MRS. SARAH J. DeMOTTE EXPIRES

Sunday Morning After Illness of Week

WAS IN MANY ACTIVITIES

Mrs. Sarah J. DeMotte, widow of the late Prof. Harvey C. DeMotte, and one of the best known of Bloomington's women in religious and educational affairs, died on Sunday morning just before 11 o'clock at her home, 902 North Main Street. She had been sick just a week. Taken with a severe cold, this became a pronounced case of pneumonia in a few days, but weakness and chronic ailment of the heart was the primal cause of death.

Sarah Jeanette Kern was born at Washington, Illinois on September 29, 1843. She was the daughter of David and Emily Kern, and her father was one of the pioneer business men of Tazewell County and later of Logan County. The family moved to Pekin and then to Atlanta, and the father engaged in banking business in these towns.

Mrs. DeMotte early took up the profession of teaching, for which she was exceptionally fitted. She became the first woman teacher at the Wesleyan University, then in its infancy. She had charge of what was called the model school of the Wesleyan University, where young children attended. In this position, she taught many boys who afterward became prominent business men of Bloomington, and in after years, many of them remembered her kindly instruction and spoke to her of it.

She was married in Atlanta on July 26, 1864, to Harvey C. DeMotte, and even after her marriage, she continued her work as a teacher, being employed in the English department of the Bloomington High school.

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After the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. DeMotte, they went to Quincy, where Mr. DeMotte became head of the Chaddock school for boys. They then returned to Bloomington and Mr. DeMotte taught in the Wesleyan. In 1885, Prof. DeMotte was appointed superintendent of the Soldiers' and Sailor' Orphans' Home, succeeding its first Superintendent. When her husband took this position, Mrs. DeMotte took the position of matron, and they continued these positions for 8 years, until 1893. The population of the home was at its peak number, and consisted solely of children of veterans of the Civil War. They had a very creditable record in their work there. After retiring from the place at the home, Dr. DeMotte resumed teaching at the Wesleyan, and also for a while, was editor of the Bloomington Leader.

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There is one child, Mrs. Clara Munce, now making her home at her mother's residence. There are three grandchildren, Mary Jeanette, Charles DeMotte, and Margaret Louise Munce, all children of Mrs. Clara Munce. Two sisters survive, Mrs. J. L. Beath, of this city, and Mrs. T. M. Walker, of Devore, Calif.

In Many Activities

Although Mrs. DeMotte was a woman who loved her home and family devotedly, yet her sympathies were broad enough to embrace many community interests. For twenty years she served as secretary of the Board of Managers of the Girls' Industrial Home, and she devoted much of her time and attention to that institution.

She was a charter member of Grace M. E. Church. She was one of the earliest members of the History Club, was an active member of Grace Church Guild, and vice president of the Wesleyan Guild. She was second regent of Letitia Greer Chapter of the D.A.R.. The past year she was elected vice president of the Young Women's Christian Association.

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Clara De Motte Munce

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HOME TOWN IN THE CORN BELT
(Compiled by Clara Louise Kessler)
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CLARA DeMOTTE MUNCE

I was born in the large fourteen room house which my maternal grandfather, David Kern, had built in 1866 at 902 N. Main Street. This home with its 10 foot ceilings, handsome balanced staircase and scientific Ratan system of heating is still my home and is housing the fifth generation of our family.

My father was Harvey C. DeMotte who for forty years was identified with Illinois Wesleyan as mathematics teacher, vice-president, and founder of its music school. My mother, Sarah Jeanette Kern DeMotte, had been the first woman teacher in the old academy at I.W.U., and was throughout her lifetime active in the social, church, and club life of Bloomington. There were many interesting people entertained in our home as I grew up - Major Powell whom my father accompanied as typographer on his second trip down the Colorado river, John B. DeMotte, the noted educator and lecturer, Bishop J. C. Hartzell of the Methodist church were among these.

My first years of schooling were in Quincy, Illinois where we lived during the years my father was president of Chaddock College.

Some of my pleasantest childhood memories are those of the years my father was Superintendent of the Illinois State Soldiers and Sailors Home at Normal, Illinois. An only child, I enjoyed the companionship of the children and insisted on wearing the school uniform when they went as a body outside the Home. I attended the Home school and after graduating from it, I attended University High where I was fortunate to have such persons as O.L. Manchester, Joseph Bohrer, Miss Fannie Fell and David Felmley as my teachers.

After three years at University High, I was admitted to Illinois Wesleyan University where I became a member of Epsilon Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. I was also a member of the first Illinois Wesleyan University girls' basketball team. It played girls' teams from Decatur, Springfield, and the University of Illinois.

During these years I was an active member of the Amateur Musical Club and with other young ladies in 1899 organized the Clio Club, a literary club which is still flourishing.

I graduated from I.W.U. in 1897 and a few years later accepted a position which had been offered me as Latin and girls' physical education teacher in Centralia High School.

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In 1906, I married Charles Carroll Munce whom I had met at college and moved to a large farm in Logan County. Three children were born while living there but after my husband's death in 1916, I again returned to live in my mother's home in Bloomington.

During World War I, besides knitting and making bandages for the boys in service, I was co-chairman of a large white elephant sale for the Red Cross.

While my children were growing up, I worked in P.T.A., serving as President of the Franklin P.T.A. and vice-president of the Bloomington High School group. I also often substituted in the Bloomington schools. I was a member of the Bloomington School Board and served as its treasurer.

I was elected treasurer of the Woman's Guild at I.W.U. This organization at that time managed two girls' dormitories--Kemp Hall and Kemp Lodge, later to be called DeMotte Lodge. I continued in this office until the management was taken over by the school. I then became Director of the I.W.U. dormitories of which there were seven when I resigned in the fall of 1949.

After my Mother's death in 1921, I was elected to fill her place on the Board of the Girls' Industrial Home, later to be known as the Lucy Orme Morgan Home. At that time, I also took over her office as Secretary-Treasurer - a position I still hold today.

For many years I have been active in the Letitia Green Stevenson Chapter of D.A.R. holding for two years, the office of Regent as had my mother before me. I started the scholarship fund in this chapter and have also served on the state scholarship committee.

I am a member of the Grace Wesley Methodist Church, having been a member before it merged with the First Methodist Church of the Grace Church, which my father and grandfather had helped organize.

PERSONALITIES OF THE WEST & MIDWEST - 1971

MUNCE, MARY JEANNETTE

b/Bloomington, Ill Nov 21, 1907; h/902 N Main, Bloomington, Ill; oc/Tchr; p Charles Carroll and Clara DeMotte Munce (dec); ed/AB Ill Wesleyan Univ; MS Univ of Ill; Addit Work Univ Wis, Western Md Col; cp/Tchr Piper City Community HS, Piper City 1928-32; Tch Latin Bloomington HS B'ton 1932-; Co-Author GUIDE LINES FOR THREE LEVELS OF COMPETENCE IN LATIN 1970; Ill Classical Conf; Pres 1945-46, Exec Bd 1946-; Classical Assn Middle West and S; VP Ill 1958-; Mem Ill Curr Coun; Field Rep Univ Ill Sch Ed; Reg Conslt Am Classical Leag; Bd Nat Hon Soc B'ton HS; Ill Foreign Lang Tchrs Assn; Chm Foreign Lang Dept B'ton HS 1957-69, Lead Tchr 1969-; Mem Allerton House Conf Ed 1950-58; Re searcher for "Foreign Lang Tchg in Ill" 1958; Contributing Editor "Ill Interscholastic" 1957-62; Author Revised Edition NEW LATIN BULLETIN FOR ILL ST LATIN TOURNAMT 1961; Pres B'ton-Normal AAUW 1944-46; Recipient B'ton HS Yrbook Ded 1961; One of Recipients B'ton Sch Bell Awds 1970; ca/PTA: DAR; Org'g Pres James Knowles Chapt DAR, St Recording Secy 1940-44, St Pres 1944-46; Patron B'ton-Normal Sumpth Soc 1960-70; Mem B'ton Normal Forum Assn 1942-50, Secy 1945-49; r/Meth: Supt Grace Meth Primary Detp 1922-24, Ed Com Wesley Meth Ch 1959-66: (hon) Kappa Kappa Gamma: Adv Bd; Kappa Delta Pi; Delta Kappa Gamma; Charter Mem Beta Iota Chapt, Pres 1959-62; Delta Delta.



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DeMOTTE GENEALOGY 1665 - 1977

- I. Michael DeMotte, married Ante Wesbrouck.
- II. Dirck (Richard DeMotte, born September 21, 1684. Married Christina Stynte, died 1777.
- III. Lawrence DeMotte, born October 25, 1719, died 1799; served in Revolutionary War. Married Dorothy Vanderbeek, born January 21, 1729, married April 25, 1749. Moved to Cove Spring, Kentucky 1793.
- IV. Johannes DeMotte, born July 16, 1769, Somerset Co., New Jersey. Died 1811 Cove Spring, Kentucky; married October 31, 1793 Anna Cozine.
- V. Children:
 - a-1. Lawrence, born September 3, 1794. Settled in Pike County, January 15, 1818. Married Phoebe Banta, born April 7, 1799, died December 12, 1854, Lawrence died March 3, 1872.
 - a-2. Cornelius, married Barbara Holt. Settled in Parke Co., Indiana in 1830.
 - a-3. Daniel, born March 19, 1798, died February 2, 1872. Married October 31, 1816, Mary Brewer, born in Mercer Co., Kentucky. They moved to Parke Co., Indiana in 1830. Lived at Green-castle, Indiana, was a Minister.
 - a-4. Mary, married Jacob Smock. Settled in Southport, Ind. 1825.
 - a-5. Sarah, born 1805, died 1882. Married David Banta, born 1801, died 1874. They were married December 2, 1824; they lived at Holland's Grove, Tazewell Co., Illinois.
 - a-6. John L., born 1809, died 1863. Married Phebe Carey, born 1813, died 1856; settled in Christian Co., Illinois in 1831.
- VI. Children:
 1. James Andrew, 1831-68, married Sarah Young, born 1836 (See Chart for details).
 2. John Marcus, 1832-34.
 3. Ann Elizabeth, 1833-1869. Married Joseph Stark.
 4. Wm. Alexander, 1834-1901, married Miriam Young (1) (2) Susan Owings. (See Chart).
 5. Thomas Henry, born 1836. Married (Sallie - - - - -)
 6. Harvey Clelland, 1838-1904. Married July 26, 1864, Sarah J. Kern, 1843-1921.
- VII. Children of Harvey C. and Sarah J. DeMotte:
 - b-1. Lawrence, died in infancy.
 - b-2. David, died in infancy.
 - b-3. Clara Louise, 1876-1954. Married 1906 to Charles Carroll Munce, 1877-1916.

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VIII. Children of Clara L. and Charles Munce:

- c-1. Mary Jeannette, born November 21, 1907.
- c-2. Charles DeMotte, born 1910; married Dorothy Scharf March 29, 1933, (divorced).

Child of Dorothy Scharf and Charles D. Munce.

- d-1. Dorothy Diane, born 1934, married (1) August H. Ross June 3, 1950; (2) Wm. McKee aige.

Children of Dorothy Diane and August H. Ross.

- e-1. Linda Susan, born 1952, married John E. Shillingsburg, born 1951.

Child of J. E. and Linda S. Shillingsburg.

- f-1. Stephen John, born 1975.

- e-2. Deborah Jeanette, born 1953.
- e-3. Sandra Diane, born 1958.
- e-4. Michael, born 1959.
- e-5. Lisa, born 1965.

- c-3. Margaret Louise, born 1912, married June 7, 1941 Glen Herbert Campbell, 1911-1968.

Children of Margaret L. and Glen H. Campbell:

- d-1. Mary Louise, born 1947, married (1) 1967 John Wesley Bokesch (divorced); (2) Married Wilbur Beach 1975.

Children of John W. and Mary L. Bokesch:

- e-1. Charlene Louise, born 1968.
- e-2. Matthew Wesley, born 1969.

- d-2. David Glen, born 1951.

Child of Mary Louise and Wilbur Beach.

- d-1. Lelia Kathryn, born 1977.

- 7. Mary Amanda, 1841-46.
- 8. McKendrie, 1843- ? Lived in Sterling, Nebraska. (See Chart).
- 9. J. Emory, 1843- ? Lived in Great Bend, Kansas (See Chart).
- 10. George Washington, 1847 - ? Lived in Emporia, Kansas.
- 11. Lucinda J., 1848- ? Married E.J. Cottle, lived at Edgar, Nebraska.
- 12. Nancy P., 1851-52.
- 13. David Mann, 1856-56.

These records are of the John L. and Phebe Carey branch of the DeMotte family. Especially of Harvey Clelland and Sarah J. DeMotte's family.

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DeMOTTE GENEALOGY

DIRCK

PETER
LAWRENCE

SARAH, m. MR. HALL

ABRAHAM

LAWRENCE

JOHN
WILLIAM
RICHARD
LOU
PETER
REBECCA
JAMES
MARTHALAWRENCE 1794-1872
(Phoebe Banta) 1799-1854

JACOB Died Young

JOHN 1823-88
(Susannah De Bruler) 1827-94WILLIAM 1825-53
(Eliza Debruler) 1828

DANIEL 1828-62

JAMES 1830-59
(Melissa Anderson) 1840-62DAVID 1832-1900
(Sarah Greene) 1834-1903ALBERT 1834-1902
(Elizabeth Anderson) 1836-1916CORNELIUS
(Barbara Holt)DANIEL
ELIZABETH
LOUISA
SARAH ANN
JOTHANJOHN BREWER SR. 1817-01
(Emily Payne)
(Phoebe Foster)MARY ANN 1819-56
(Wm. Sunderland)WM. MILTON 1846-1931
(Anna Niehaus) 1852-1923MARY 1847-1917
(J. Nash)ELIZA 1849-1912
(Job Chappell) died 1916HUME 1851-1941
(Jane Green) 1850-1916CHARLES 1858-1915
(Ida Wheeler) 1862-1942WESLEY 1862-36
(Iva Brittan) 1868-1952FRANK E. 1870-1941
(Arminta Nash) 1874-1957

ELIZABETH

ELIZABETH 1858-74

MARTHA 1860-1932
(F. Swanser) died 1906JOHN 1861-96
(Nancy Stillwell) 1864-1949CHARLOTTE 1862-1940
(Geo. McLaughlin) 1853-1917MARY ELIZABETH 1864-1932
(James F. Chappell) 1867-1920SALLIE 1873-1950
(Fred Hargrave) 1870-1967

LAWRENCE 1865-82

ELLA 1858-1941
(Zeno Hobbs)CLARA 1860-95
(S.R. Clark) 1864-1929ELVIS 1866-1952
(Caroline Coleman) 1874-1945JEROME 1869-1945
(Olive Vest) 1871-1941SEBASTIAN 1872-1933
(Bertha Armstrong) 1874-1962JOHN BREWER II 1848-1907
(Lelia Washburn) 1855-1910ELIZABETH 1844
(Marvin Case)MARGARET 1858
(Wm. Potts)

EMILY FOSTER 1860-1920

EVA 1873-1954
(Alexander Haury) 1861-95
(2 Ralph Davidson) 1867-1936JOHN HENRY 1876-1952
(Edith Hancock) 1888-BEN 1879-1964
(Sallie Harris) 1885-1973LEE 1881-1967
(Martha Smith) 1883-1964ELIZABETH 1883-1969
(Omer H. Stewart) 1881-1955ESTELLA MAY 1887-
(C. Ellis Craig) 1869-1958SUSAN 1879-1962
(Ray F. Wineinger) 1880-1945

5 children died young.

BERTHA 1881-1954
(Bertis Artman)IDA 1885-1935
(Paul Mehling) 1887-1947LUCY 1887-
(O.G. Dempsey) 1883-1945ETHEL 1891-1970
(W. Whitehaed)FRANK MARK 1883-1945
(Eddith Thomas) 1885-1963GARNETT M. 1885-1972
(P. Cosner) 1895-1970ELIZABETH W. 1894-1951
(Carl Fischer) 1892-1975PHOEBE E. 1896-1975
(1 Paul Mason) 1901-1950
(Geo. Sloane)GEORGIA H. 1902-1961
(C.B. Lee) 1900-WM. OMAH 1890-1960
(Dolores Scovel) 1891-RUTH 1893
(Arthur Hook) 1901-ESTELLE 1896-
(Claude Evans) 1894-1963PHOEBE 1887-1974
(Geo. Norman) 1885-1955FLORENCE 1889-
(Ralph Waldo) 1886-EUGENE P. 1890-1968
(Charity Yates) 1894-1951MARK LAWRENCE 1892-1963
(Marian Le Valley) 1897-GRACE E. 1896-1925
(B.H. Osgatharp) 1872-1960JAMES RALPH 1901-
(Lorene Englehardt) 1900-ELLIS B. 1893-1969
(Carrie Clark) 1892-LAURA ETHEL 1895-1970
(Clarence Richardson) 1898

MYRTLE 1885-1965

MAUDE A. 1895-1917
(Wm. Price)WM. DAVIDSON 1899-1960
(Gladys Young) 1902-JEROME 1901-70
(Anita Meyer) 1900-74MARJORIE 1907-1976
(A. Bredenbaugh) 1903-27
(2 Tony Dillon) 1896-LOUIS BERNARD 1909-
(1 Lenore True) 1912-
(2 Rose Nadlman) 1911-MARY 1911-
(L.V. Vollborn)

EDNA MARTHA 1913-1919

WM. HANCOCK 1916-70
(Adelaide Chavez) 1920-WALTER ARTHUR 1921-
(Rita Mack) 1923-ELLIS JEROME 1924-
(Anna Mae Brosmer) 1926-LOU ANNA 1907-
(Kermit French) 1902-

RICHARD WILLIAM 1909-28

JAMES V. 1911-1955
(Leone Williams) 1911-BEN II 1920-
(Dorothy Stanger) 1923-74
(2 La Von Bunch)MARTHA JANE 1922-
(1 Carl Schlegel) died 1945
(2 Ralph Sulis) died 1964
(3 R.J. O'Leary)

OMER SAMUEL 1910-12

ANNA ELIZABETH 1913-26

VIRGINIA PHEREBE 1916-
(Odell Jacobsen) 1913-72VICTORIA HALL 1919-
(Arthur J. Althoff) 1914-JULIA MARIE 1922-
(Harvey Poshard) 1918ELIZA CHAPPLE 1918-
(16 children, 12 grew up)GLADYS LORRAINE 1904-
(Anson B. Ingels)IRENE LEMOND 1906-74
(Joseph E. Rogers)RAYMOND De MOTTE 1914-
(Edythe Walters)

PAUL De MOTTE MELING 1917-74

MARVIN K. 1906-71
(Lucile Moore) 1909-HOWARD L. 1909-
(Clyde Parrish) 1911-76ROBERT 1914-
(Frances Fleming) 1916-LORAN GARDNER 1916-
(Betty Wilkerson)RICHARD LA MONT 1919-
ELIZABETH GENE 1923-
(Barry B. Ahelton) 1923-DOROTHY NELL 1925-
(Wm. B. Shaver)

MATTHIAS

MICHAEL

JOHANNES

(k) (ante) 1694-1753

1719-93 (rbeck)

N.Y.C.)

MICHAEL (FIRST RECORDED, 10-14-1665, KINGSTON, N.Y.)
(ANTE WESBROUK)
IMMIGRATED FROM FRANCE VIA HOLLAND

RICHARD (Dirck)
CHRISTINA (Slyntie) 1684-1753

LAWRENCE
(Dorothy Vanderbeek) 1719-99

ABRAHAM

ISAAC

JOHN

JACOB

JOHN

RICHARD

JOHANNES 1769-1811
(Anna Cozine)

MARTHA
(N. Brice)

DEBORAH
(Peter Van Nuys)

MARY
(David Banta)

DANIEL 1798-1875
(Mary Brewer)

MARY
(Jacob Smock)

SARAH 1805-82
(David Banta) 1801-74

ANN

JOHN L. 1809-63
(Phebe Cary) 1813-56

(Barbara Holt)

LOUISA
SARAH ANN
JOTHAN

JOHN BREWER SR. 1817-01
(Emily Payne)
(Phoebe Foster)

MARY ANN 1819-56
(Wm. Sunderland)

SARAH JANE 1821-1904
(Hiram Marshall)

JAMES SMOCK 1823
(Margaret Spangler)

WM. HOLMAN 1830-1910
(Catherine Hoover) 1831-72
(Anna Graves) 1840-1921

MARK LINDSAY 1832-1908
(Elizabeth Christie)
(Clara Steyens)

MARTHA ELLEN 1825-98
(J.J. Thorpe)
(N.P. Sunderland)

AMANDA FRANCES 1828-83
(A.L. Morrison) 1825-

MARTHA ELLEN
(J. J. Thorpe)

JAMES ANDREW 1831-68
(Sarah Ann Young) 1836

JOHN MARCUS 1832-34
ANN ELIZABETH 1833-69
(Joseph Stark)

WM. ALEXANDER 1834-01
(Miriam Young) 1840-76
(Susan Owings)

THOMAS HENRY 1836
(Sally)

HARVEY CLELLAND 1838-1904
(Sarah J. Kern)

MARY AMANDA 1841-46

J. EMORY 1843-

GEO WASHINGTON 1847-

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EMILY FOSTER 1860-1920
(J. Vanshoiack)

GEO ELLIS 1862

PHOEBE MINNIE 1870

SARAH E. 1874

WM. SUNDERLAND 1848-1913

CHARLES W.
LAURA E.
ALICE E.
MARTHA FRANCES

ELLEN 1854-1920
(W.F. Brown) died 1920

FRANCES 1856
(A.R. Archibald)

CATHERINE 1860
(R.A. Gates)

MARSHALL 1862
(Florence Hackett)

MARY G. 1867
(J.G. Deering)

ELIZABETH 1871
(T.P. Carter)

AMELIA 1876-1952

MARY 1857
(John H. Wilson)

LOUISE 1859-1905
(Lawrence Letherman)

EMILY DE MOTTE 1848-1912

WM. WARD SUNDERLAND
(Mary) 1863
1868

DANIEL 1849
(Rebecca Walter) 1851

MARY FLORENCE 1850-1921
(W.F. Walker)

CATHERINE BLANCHE 1860-1911
(L. D. Hayes)
(R. T. Carr)

JOHN FOSTER 1854-1925
(Jennie Patterson)

ANNA LORINDA 1858
(J. Clark)

ELLA DeMOTTE 1858
(A.P. Burnside)

WM. LAWTON 1861-61

AMANDA FRANCES 1868
(J.A. Hanna)

FRANK WALKER 1873
(Jessie H. Skinner)

SARAH J. De MOTTE
(Hiram Marshall)

WM. SUNDERLAND 1837-1909
(Dolly Tate) 1842-78

MARY ELLEN 1839-80
(W.G. Burnett)

SARAH FRANCES 1842-1926
(Geo. W. Perry)

GEO. B. MARSHALL 1844-1916
(Clarinda Tucker)

(Charity Yates) 1854-1901
MARK LAWRENCE 1892-1963
(Marian Le Valley) 1897-

GRACE E. 1896-1925
(B.H. Osgatharp) 1872-1960

JAMES RALPH 1901-
(Lorene Englehardt) 1900-

ELLIS B. 1893-1969
(Carrie Clark) 1892-

LAURA ETHEL 1895-1970
(Clarence Richardson) 1898

MYRTLE 1885-1965
(E. Brown) 1875-1950

HELEN 1888-
(G.C. McClellan) 1887-1942

MORRIS 1895-
(Vernice Snodgrass) 1910

RUTH 1896-
(Earl Howard) 1896-1944

ELIZABETH 1899
(Claude Chambers) 1900-

HOWARD 1901-1965
(Ruth Bradfield) 1902-

ALBERT 1903-1951
(Jessie Poselwaite) 1904-72

HENRY 1905
(Ona Hunley) 1908

EDNA 1907
(C.F. Caldemeyer) 1904-65

ELMER 1910
(Naomi Harrison) 1910-74

LEE ROY 1912
(Helen V. Walters) 1919-

MARY H. 1914
(W.F. Risley) 1913-

RUSSELL 1900-1955
(Laverne Rammage) 1902-1973

PAULINE 1904-68
(J.W. Smith) died 1973

CALVIN JEROME 1909-
(Sarah M. Byrer) 1919-

LAURENCE WASHBURN 1879-1950
(Marjorie Ramey) 1885-1976

J. B. III

WASHBURN PAYNE 1913-
(1 Joy Tamblyn) 1916-
(2 Helen Rodewald) 1919

Florence;

Eugene ;

Mark L.

Grace E. Mc Laughlin ;

James R. Mc Laughlin;

Ellis Hargrave ;

Laura Ethel,

(Lucile Moore) 1909-
HOWARD L. 1909-
(Clyde Parrish) 1911-76

ROBERT 1914-
(Frances Fleming) 1916-

LORAN GARDNER 1916-
(Betty Wilkerson)

RICHARD LA MONT 1919-
ELIZABETH GELTON 1923-

(Barry B. Ahelton) 1923-
DOROTHA NELL 1925-
(Wm. B. Shaver)

RAYMOND THOMAS 1910-
(Valmar E. Rogers) died 1972

MARY LOUISE 1915-
(Harold K. Hight) 1912-67

GEO. THOMAS 1944-
(Janice A. Jensen) 1945-

IDA RUTH 1923-
(Robert N. Baumgartner) 1922-

MARY HELEN 1914-
(Ernest Bastady) 1909-

CHARLES D. 1916-
MARK R. 1920-

(Reatha M. Ochner) 1922-
MAX E. 1921-
(Mary L. Hamm) 1926

CARLE 1923-
(Pina Pappas) 1925-

JOHN L. 1926-
(Evelyn Davies) 1927

JAMES D. 1928-
(Lois D. Stevens) 1930-

JOHANNA 1931
(C.E. Cariker) 1928-

WILLIAM 1930-
(Beverly Dobrovolsky)

GALE E. 1917-71
(Evelyn France) 1922-

EUGENIE 1910-29
GEORGE D. 1914-40
(Mary C. Steinkamp) 1914-36

JOHN HUBERT 1923-
(Jean Harrel) 1927

HELEN FLORENCE 1925-
(Fred Etherton)

MARY ELIZABETH 1927-
(R.H. Melaney) 1923

MILDRED IONE 1914-
(K. E. Jones)

MARIE F. 1919-
(Homer D. Vaughn) 1916-71

NORMA ELLEN 1928-
(Frank Slovak)

DAVID MARK 1933-
(Charlotte Tucker)

BENJAMIN H. JR. 1922-43
(Dorothy E. Corn)

ESTHER GRACE 1924-
(Eugene Richardson) 1916

MARGARET ANN 1933-
(Forest D. Robinson) 1931-

JAMES DAVID 1935-35
ROBERT L. 1936-
(Mary A. Elsterholdt) 1939-

ROBERT ELLIS 1918-
(1 E.J. Himbaugh)
(2 Jessica Chester)

BETTIE RUTH 1921-
(A.G. Freebairn)

FRANCES ANN 1927-
(J.W. Means)

JAMES RICHARD 1929

STEVEN JAMES 1912-12
FRANK ERNEST 1914-

MICHAEL

JOHN

RICHARD

1715

HENDRICK
(Janetie Van Wagman)

JOHANNES 1734
GEESIE 1744
GARRET 1746-19
(Gertrude Van Wagnam)

MARY W. BENSIGE
MARGARITA 1746
MICHAEL 1750
JACOB 1751
HENDRICK 1752
CATALFNTJE 1755
ANNA 1758
CORNELIUS 1760
HELMIGH 1765

HENRY G.
(Jane Berry)

GARRETT G.
(Lea DeMott)

HARVEY CLELLAND
1838-1904
(Sarah J. Kern)

MARY AMANDA 1841-46

J. EMORY 1843-

GEO WASHINGTON 1847-

LUCINDA J. 1847
(J. Cottle)

NANCY P. 1851-52

DAVID MANN 1856-56

SAMUEL 1828

MARY 1831-44

EMELINE 1833-52

NATHAN 1834-

MARY 1825

HENRY 1827

JOHN 1830-

1808-78
1803

1805-

HARVEY CLELLAND

McKENDRIE 1843-

J. Emory;

Geo. Washington;

(Jessie H. Skinner)

SARAH J. De MOTTE

(Hiram Marshall)

WM. SUNDERLAND 1837-1909
(Dolly Tate) 1842-78

MARY ELLEN 1839-80

(W.G. Burnett) 1833-1906

SARAH FRANCES 1842-1926

(Geo. W. Perry)

GEO. B. MARSHALL 1844-1916
(Clarinda Tucker)

OLIVER 1857-1938

(Ida Berry) 1859-1909

(Mrs. Mary I. Coffin) 1879

ORVAL 3 yrs.

ELMER 1 yr.

FERDINAND 1 yr.

LURA 1866-1945

(Joseph H. Smith) 1866-

LILLA 1866-

(Adam May)

ELLA JANES 2 yrs.

FRANCES 1868-95

ORVILLE 1871-1943

(Harriet M. Leeper) 1873-

CHARLES 1874-1932

(Grace Weedman)

HARVEY 1876-76

MIRON 1876-76

FLETCHER

JOSHUA 1866-1936

WILLIAM

ELIZABETH 1873-1970

ZELDA died 1934

FRANK

HARVEY

JOHN

LAWRENCE died young

CLARA LOUISE 1876-1934

(Chas. C. Munce) 1877-1916

DAVID died young

FREDERIC

ELMER died young

HATTIE CHLORINE

CLARA LUCILLE

JOHN EDGAR

VERLINDA MAUDE

JULIA JEANNETTE

LUCIE J. 1872

JAMES McKENDRIE 1874

WM. C. 1877

JOHN LLOYD 1879

ELLA MABEL 1881

(John McMullin)

HARVEY R. 1885

MINNIE M.

PHOEBE J.

CLYDE

EMMA

(3 boys)

Ellis Hargrave ;

Laura Ethel,

RUBETTA THORNE 1880

(B.O. Brown)

ROYAL JAMES 1881

(Lucia A. Stevens)

HENRY CLAUDE 1895-

(Edith Brown)

MARY IDA 1914

(M. Sands)

OLIVE WRIGHT 1916

(Edward Gutowski)

MAURICE PAUL 1896-

(Pearl G. Davis) 1897

LESLIE GEORGE 1902

(Grace L. King) 1908-

HELEN LOUISE 1906-41

(L. H. Ridge)

MARY JEANNETTE 1907

CHARLES De MOTTE 1910-

(Dorothy Scharf)

MARGARET LOUISE 1912-

(Glen Herbert Campbell) 1811-68

(Mary A. Eisterholdt) 1939-

ROBERT ELLIS 1918-

(1 E.J. Himbaugh)

(2 Jessica Chester)

BETTIE RUTH 1921-

(A.G. Freebairn)

FRANCES ANN 1927-

(J.W. Means)

JAMES RICHARD 1929

STEVEN JAMES 1912-12

FRANK ERNEST 1914-

(Jane C. Phillips)

MARIAN ROSE 1917-19

MARIUM LOUISE 1944

JANE MAURINE 1946

DOROTHY DIANE 1934

(1 A.H. Ross)

(2 W. McKeage)

MARY LOUISE 1947

(1 J. W. Bokesch)

(2 W. Beach)

"From Material Furnished by
Clara Munce and Rubetta Brown"

COLONEL MARK LINDSAY DeMOTTE

Soldier, Legislator, Teacher, Law Professor,
Author, and Scholar.

1832-1908

Col. Mark was one of the most talented of a long line of scholarly gifted men of the family. He came of French Huguenot Ancestry, and Holland Dutch from his mother, Mary Brewer, who was descended from Adam Brouwer (Brewer); they were people of outstanding talent and virtue.

Mark Lindsay was the product of these two fine families, and he used his gifts for the good of his fellow man. He unselfishly served his country in war, was a teacher of law students, served in Congress and the Indiana Legislature, as the post master for Valparaiso, was a newspaper editor, but he was most at home as Dean and founder of the law school at Valparaiso University, where he was happiest teaching and inspiring the young law students, many of whom became distinguished in their own right.

He was a "True Christian Gentleman", worthy of the fine teachings he received from his mother and father Reverend Daniel DeMotte, where he carried on his teachings and inspired all who knew him.

The town of DeMotte, Indiana proudly carries his name. The exact way the town came by his name is not clearly documented. Legend has it that a friend of his asked him for the use of his name after the little village had to change its name because of duplication with another village. This is not found in any records. The town is a credit to him, as it is a beautiful town of about 3000 population, has many fine shops and businesses. It is incorporated, has a mayor and City Council.

I will not go into more detail, as the following copies of news clips and details are all self-explanatory. There will be duplication in many instances, but it shows how different ones of his contemporaries viewed him.

I feel a closeness to him as our family visited him and he visited them. My father attended Valparaiso's law school for one term, and he spoke of him many times, as did my grandfather and other relatives. He was always spoken of very respectfully, as "Uncle Mark" by my father and other relatives. The accounts of the Memorial in 1955, is very typical, as he was still honored after so much passing of time. He was truly a great and good man, an inspiration for good and excellence that was known and appreciated by all he knew, and who knew of him.

By Louis Bernard DeMotte



Mark L. DeMotte, 1832-1908, Dean Valparaiso Law School, Ind.

COL. MARK LINDSAY DEMOTTE

1832-1908

Colonel Mark L. DeMotte was born near Rockville, Parke County, Indiana, December 28, 1832. His father was of French Huguenot ancestry, and his grandfather was a Revolutionary War soldier who served in Captain Coonrad Ten Eyck's company from Somerset, New Jersey. His mother was of Dutch parentage; a member of the Brewer family, they both were reared in Mercer County, Kentucky.

Both of his parents were persons of great strength of character. Reverend Daniel DeMotte was a pioneer Methodist minister, and a fund raiser for Asbury College, later De Pauw University.

There were six children born of this marriage, all of whom were graduates of De Pauw University. Rev. Daniel "Practiced What He Preached". Their's was a Christian home, and was made a place of inspiration at all times, as the mother was a very intelligent and accomplished woman in her own right. She had the task of keeping the home together and teaching the children, as it was her lot to be left alone so much, as Rev. Daniel was a Circuit Rider, and was gone much of the time.

The children showed the results of their early training and discipline, as they all were people of great character and accomplishments. John Brewer DeMotte I was a life-long Methodist Minister and Lecturer, a D.D. degree. Wm. Holman was a Ph D. in 1852 at De Pauw University, and had a distinguished career as teacher of the deaf. The daughters were also De Pauw graduates.

With this background of ancestry and superb home training, Mark L. attended De Pauw University and graduated with the degree of AB in 1853. Immediately afterward, he began the study of law, and in 1855 graduated from the law school with the degree of LL.B. The same year he opened a law office at Valparaiso, Indiana, where he immediately took high rank among his professional brethren.

In 1856 he was elected as a Republican Prosecuting Attorney for the judicial circuit composed of the counties of Lake, Porter, La Porte, St. Joseph, Marshall, and Starke. Early in 1861 he entered the service of the United States as Senior 1st Lieutenant of the Fourth Indiana Battery, and continued with his command until April, 1862, when he resigned and accepted a commission as Captain and Assistant Quartermaster, being assigned to duty with General Fremont in West Virginia. He remained with that command until the campaign of 1862 had practically ended with the second battle of Bull Run and Antietam, and was then ordered to West Virginia with Major General Milroy. He remained with this division until after the battle of Gettysburg. The remainder of his service was on post duty at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Mark L. DeMotte Cont.

In August of 1865, he was discharged and moved to Lexington, Missouri, and entered the practice of law. In 1869 he became the owner and editor of the Lexington Register, a Republican paper, which under his management, became a very highly respected and influential newspaper. It was the leading journal of the 11th Congressional District, then as now the heaviest Democratic registration in the state. In 1872, Mr. DeMotte was nominated by the Republicans of that district as their candidate for Congress, and made a vigorous campaign without hope of election of course, but succeeded in making a big reduction in the Democratic majority.

In 1876 he was again nominated for Congress, but with a like result. He was a member of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Convention, which met in Chicago in 1868, on the day prior to the Republican Convention of that year which nominated Grant and Colfax. He was also a member of the National Republican Convention which met in Cincinnati in 1876.

The following year Mr. DeMotte returned to Valparaiso, his old home, and again resumed the practice of law. In November 1879, he founded the Department of Law in the Northern Indiana Normal College of Valparaiso, to which he since has given most of his attention, and which institution has grown to be the largest and best law school in the State, having now an enrollment of over a hundred students.

In 1880, at the Republican Convention held at Logansport, June 22nd, Mr. DeMotte was nominated to represent the 10th District in Congress, was elected to the 47th Congress and defeated J.N. Skinner who received the nomination from the National Greenback, Labor and Democratic Parties. In 1882 he was again nominated, but defeated with the balance of the ticket. Mr. DeMotte was elected to the State Senate in 1886, served on several committees of importance.

He was a hard worker in the effort to move the obstruction in Kankakee River at Momence, Illinois. During President Harrison's administration, he was appointed Post Master of Valparaiso and his commission expired in March 1894.

He was first married to Elizabeth Christy, who died on March 20, 1890. By this union, two daughters were born, Mary, wife of Reverend J. H. Wilson, presiding elder of the Methodist Conference; and Louise, wife of Lawrence Letherman, Post Office Inspector. On the 12th of January, 1893, Mr. DeMotte married Miss Clara Stevens.

He is a Mason and Past Grand Regent of the Royal Arxanum of the State of Indiana. Our subject is a positive man, and a fluent, forcible and convincing speaker. He possesses intellect of a high order, has labored earnestly for the good of his section, and is public spirited and enterprising.

Mark L. DeMotte Cont.

The above biography was found in the "Pictorial and Biographical Record", which was published by The Goodspeed Brothers, 1894, Chicago, Illinois.



Col. Mark L. DeMotte & Prof. Wm. Holman DeMotte
About 1905

MEMORIAL ADDRESS

IN HONOR OF

COLONEL MARK L. DeMOTTE

FOUNDER AND DEAN OF
SCHOOL OF LAW
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY
Valparaiso, Indiana



ADDRESS DELIVERED BY
WILLIAM S. HAMILTON, '02
of Pawhuska, Oklahoma, on June 18, 1955



MARK L. DeMOTTE

Founder and Dean of
School of Law, Valparaiso Uni-
versity, Valparaiso, Ind.



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The Author, Louis B. De Mott

MARK L. DeMOTTE

Founder of a Law College

DEAR ALUMNI:

"On June 18, 1955, there was unveiled in Maplewood Cemetery a suitable monument at the grave of Colonel Mark L. DeMotte. That stone will stand through the years a silent, reverent memorial to the founder of the Valparaiso Law School. Dean DeMotte's life and character will stand through eternity as a benediction in the lives of the graduates of the school which he founded."

—WM. S. HAMILTON, '02.

Many requests for a copy of his address on the life and character of the founder of the Law School, the Honorable Mark L. DeMotte, have led Mr. Hamilton and his classmate and life-long friend, Granville Hogan, who for more than twenty years was a judge in St. Louis, to provide for the presentation to the sons of DeMotte this copy of Mr. Hamilton's address.

Our sincere thanks go to these two men who have thus honored both him and themselves.

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH R. ORRICO, *Executive Secretary*
Valparaiso University Law Alumni
Association.

The following address was given by Attorney William S. Hamilton, '02, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, on the occasion marking the unveiling of a monument of Vermont granite, erected by alumni who graduated under Dean Mark L. DeMotte, founder of the Law School of Valparaiso University.

Several were present to honor the memory of their Dean, together with many friends.

Today there has been unveiled a monument to the founder of our Law School. It was on December 28, 1832, near the village of Rockville, Indiana, that there was born a boy who 47 years later became the founder of the Law School which we are so proud to call our Alma Mater. That boy made a fine selection of a home in which to be born. His father, Daniel DeMotte, was a Methodist minister riding the circuit, preaching the Gospel to the pioneers of the young state of Indiana. His mother was of that sturdy type of women who complained not of the hardships of being the wife of a preacher but who gave cheer and comfort to her husband in his chosen work. It was with that kind of parents that this Hoosier boy spent the tender, formative period of his life. The first assurance that the Valparaiso Law College would become a great school was the fact that its founder, Mark L. DeMotte, was the product of a Christian home.

True to his heritage and his environment he was a devout churchman all of his life. His successors, Dean Milo J. Bowman and Dean John W. Morland, have been Christian gentlemen, true spiritual leaders. After study in the common schools of his day supplemented by training in Bible reading in his home, young DeMotte matriculated in Asbury College, now DePauw University at Greencastle, Indiana. Four years later at the commencement in 1853 he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree and in 1855, 100 years ago this month, he received from the Law Department of that college the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

The same year he came to Valparaiso to practice law. In 1856 he was elected prosecuting attorney for the circuit then composed of Porter, Lake, LePorte, St. Joseph, Marshall and Starke counties. In 1861 when the slavery question divided the thoughts and the lives of the North and the South to such an extent that armed conflict arose, this young lawyer closed his law office and became a part of that gallant army which proved on the field of battle that our republic is one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for

He held several important positions with the Armed Forces leaving with the rank of Colonel. He was an ardent member of the Grand Army of the Republic serving as Commander of the local post and a member of the Loyal Legion.

After the close of the war, in 1865, he went to Lexington, Missouri, where he practiced law and edited the Lexington Register, an outstanding country newspaper of the day. In 1877 he returned to Valparaiso and resumed the practice of law here.

In 1879 he established the Law Department in the Valparaiso College, "The Poor Man's Harvard," founded and nurtured by Henry Baker Brown. He served one term in the Indiana State Senate and one term in Congress. Through appointment by his personal friend, President Benjamin Harrison, he served as Postmaster at Valparaiso for a period of four years.

While favorable mention can be made of his work as a newspaper editor, as an author of several stories and books and as a practicing attorney, the outstanding work of his life was in his position as Dean and teacher in the Law School which he founded. He unreservedly gave himself to the development of that school. During his entire life he possessed the spirit of youth. He never tired of college life. Each day he came to meet his classes with the eagerness and the enthusiasm of a boy going to a ball game. He was a regular attendant at chapel exercises. He said looking into the faces of the boys and girls gave him a fresh impulse for the day's work. Expressive of his love for youth is his famous toast, "The Boys."

1. "The boys! the boys! God bless them all. The baby boys! rolling on floors—rocking in cradles—trundling in carriages—dandling on paternal knees—reveling in maternal bosoms—sleeping — waking — laughing — crying — kicking — crowing — they are the prettiest, sweetest things in the world, except their mothers.

2. "The school-boy with his 'shining morning face,' God bless him. He reveals himself to us the most wonderful compound under the stars.

We see him indistinctly through a halo of balls, bats, kites, marbles, tops, pop-guns, toy pistols, velocipedes and hand-wagons, and hear him distinctly in the storm of whoops, yells, whistles, laughs, cries, drums, horns, and general and special clatter which follow in his wake wherever he goes.

3. "Ubiquitous, his shrill whistle can be heard, on the slightest provocation, in every known gathering from a Sorosis to a side show, and from a meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to a gathering of hoodlums at a street corner. The comet of the household planetary system, he traverses his eccentric orbit at all kinds of unreasonable and uncomfortable hours. At perihelion when he ought to be at aphelion, and too nebulous for the naked eye whenever and wherever wanted. But with all his faults we love him still. He has tangled his mischievous fingers into our very heart-strings and we could not possibly do without him.

4. "Then comes that uncertain period, when he hesitates between boyhood and manhood. When the breeches go down to meet the boots, the coat tails descend below the anatomical bifurcation and the voice sinks down from the glottis to the duodenum, or somewhere in that region. A little further on, he scents the busy world ahead of him and begins to shove the plane, swing the hammer, balance the baseball bat, pull the oar and wrestle with the incipient moustache.

5. "He 'muffs' Latin verbs, and 'goes to grass' on Greek roots. He runs largely to swell waistcoats, does penance in tight boots and puts his whole mind to the knot in his neck-tie. He falls in love, as his father used to do, and does yet, for that matter. In his estimation no man since Adam, ever did fall so far or light so hard as he. No man ever did find nor ever will find such another angelic creature as his sweetheart. Dear boy! He is right. There are none other such to him.

6. "These are warm-hearted, generous, chivalric boys, and while they occasionally scatter broadcast a small crop of wild oats, they drill

in well, with the most improved implements, the wheat for the future harvest.

7. "There are many other kinds of boys which I might mention, but I pass on to the old boy. Don't mistake me. I do not mean the 'Old Boy' who rules the Plutonian realm below. By the way, who could have invented such a name for such a character. It is a slander on boyhood of all ages, and I warrant a boy-hater is the author of it. Mean and slanderous as it is, I am compelled to admit that it smacks of appropriateness. I think I can see that a creature combining the shrewdness and daring of a corrupt old age, with the capacity of the average boy for mischief, running around loose, 'seeking whom he may devour,' would be a formidable blockade in the straight and narrow path.

8. "But enough of him, I meant the *old* boy. I greet him with a shake by both hands and a cordial slap on the back. His hair is frosted perhaps by scores of winters, but his heart is as fresh and young as at twenty. His form may be bent a little by the burdens of life, but his disposition is erect and evenly balanced, easily swayed, however, towards the side of charity, forbearance, and forgiveness.

9. "While the disappointments, the worry of business, the wear and tear of life generally, have been bronzing his cheek and wrinkling his brow, they have brightened his smile; while they have taken some of the elasticity from his step, they have made richer and more cheery the ring of his laugh. When he was twenty he was possibly a little wild, but those who loved him and believed in him passed his waywardness by without reproof, saying, 'wait awhile and let the boy wear off.'

10. "But it did not wear off. No. The same boyish eyes that looked out from under the shining curls of twenty, beam on you still from under the thinned and whitened locks of three score. The vicissitudes of a long life have not worn off the boy. Nor will the 'valley of the shadow.' On the other side, in the clear sunlight of infinite mercy the hair of that same boy will become golden again, and his cheek the rose, in harmony with that perennial youth

which is the inheritance of the children of the kingdom.

"Then here's to our boyhood its
gold and its gray!
The stars of its winter, the dews
of its May.
And when we are done with our life
lasting toys,
Dear Father take care of Thy children,
the Boys."

—M. L. DeMotte

In 1905 the survivors of his law class met at DePauw University for their golden Anniversary reunion. As a climax of the day's activities his Alma Mater conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws. He had not been informed in advance of this portion of the program, but on receiving the diploma he was equal to the occasion. He arose and responded:

"Mr. President: Years ago I stood where this large class of beautiful young men and young women now stand, and, having received my diploma, went to my lifework, believing God was good and His world beautiful. Every day since then I have been a working part, infinitesimal, perhaps, of the wonderful machine organized society. After fifty years I stand here again with the sunlight of three score and ten upon my head and bear testimony that God is good and His world is beautiful. I go to new achievements, a loving son bearing gratefully this (holding up his diploma) as the kiss of my mother."

His faith in humanity never wavered. He believed in treating a person as being honest until the person should be found to be otherwise. On one occasion he said:

"Everything good in humanity thrives best when properly recognized. If one with whom I have business transaction perceives that I expect to cheat, he will be tempted to do so; at least he will be only just. If I keep all men at arm's length in fear that some of them will be treacherous to me, I place myself in a position

where I can not claim their sympathy and goodwill and do not deserve fair treatment. I provoke an antagonism which will result in greater evil to me than to them. Universal faith is an essential condition to universal faithfulness. There is no power but good with which to overcome evil."

He had an intimate knowledge of the students in the Law School. He possessed an uncanny ability of learning to know people. On the first day of the term he would ask each student to write his name, his home address and his college address on a slip of paper and pass it to him. He would then request that each student stand as his name was read so that the Dean could get him identified. From that moment, he knew each one and was able to greet him by name.

He made it known by word and deed that each student was a welcome guest in his home. He was an active teacher in the Law School. He was able to induce men of recognized ability in the law to give of their time and talent teaching in the college. As of my day there were with him A. Lytle Jones, who passed to his reward on March 17, 1902; Hiram A. Gillette, who each Lord's Day preached the Gospel in a little church building in the North part of this city; T. H. Heard, the red-bearded, vigorous prosecutor who at the close of one term of Circuit Court sent seventeen convicted criminals to the penitentiary; C. B. Tinkham, the father of Richard P. Tinkham, past president of the Indiana Bar Association and a prominent worker in the American Bar Association, and W. H. Dowdell, who instructed us in our moot court work. They came to us fresh from their every day practice and they laboriously prepared themselves for our instruction. Had one not known that they were spending a portion of their time in their daily practice, it would have been easy to believe that their only vocation was that of teaching. However, their offices down town were open to visits by the students and also for apprentice work. Personally, I served apprenticeships in the office of Judge A. Lytle Jones and in the office of T. H. Heard.

Colonel DeMotte was a student not only of the law but also of the best in literature. Dickens was his favorite auth-

or. He read everything that Dickens wrote and became familiar with all of the Dickens characters. They were like friends to him and he continuously found pleasure in their company. He had a Dickens corner in his library and had pictures of the Dickens characters on the walls of his library. He was also a lover of Byron. He knew the value to a lawyer of a knowledge of good literature and an ability to read understandingly. He established an elective course in reading in the law college. In my day in the college this class was taught by a beautiful, attractive woman professor, Florence Higgins Butler, a disciple of M. E. Bogarte. In my opinion that course was almost as great a benefit to me as the courses in the legal subjects. In the argument of a case in District Court at Pawhuska, I read to the Judge the same authority my opposing counsel had used. The Court ruled with me. My adversary remarked, "Mr. Hamilton is just a better reader than I am." Florence Higgins Butler taught me how to place the emphasis on words to bring out the true meaning.

One of Dean DeMotte's favorite quotations was Bessie Anderson's prize-winning definition of success:

"He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men and little children; who has fulfilled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it; who has looked for the best in others and given them the best he had; whose life was an inspiration, whose memory a benediction."

This definition is a word picture of the life of Mark L. DeMotte who founded our Law School. He was not possessed of sufficient of this world's wealth to make a gift of a large amount of money to underwrite its financial support, but he was possessed of great riches of life, character and high ideals. With these he endowed the school. The influence of his life and character permeated the school and has remained with his students as a lifetime benediction.

Col. Mark L. DeMotte, founder, and dean of the law department of Valparaiso university for almost thirty years, was an able and worthy associate of Brown and Kinsey. Under his efficient administration his department became one of the strongest of the Normal school. He and his colleague, Judge Hiram Gillette, were great teachers, who not only taught, but also inspired their students and won their lasting esteem and admiration. Among these there are many who have become prominent in their profession; several occupy high judicial and political stations.

The School of Law is now recognized as a standard law school and has been approved by the American Bar Association. It owes much of its present distinction and reputation to the tradition established many years ago by Col. DeMotte. We are pleased to render this tribute to a man who helped to make the old Normal school one of the greatest schools in the Middle West, a man who was great as scholar, teacher, soldier, statesman, Dean Mark L. DeMotte.

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THE OLD AND THE NEW

Nowhere in the university is the influence of the alumni felt so keenly, perhaps, as in the School of Law.

Nine of the twelve regular members of the staff are alumni or former students of the university. These men have come back to us to pay a debt of gratitude they feel to their alma mater. Among them are Judge Grant Crumpacker, LL.B., of the class of 1894, who lectures on federal jurisdiction and practice, Judge E. M. Norton, LL. B., of the class of 1904. The former is judge of the Circuit court of Porter county, the latter the judge of the Lake Circuit court at Crown Point. Both of these men have contributed to this edition of the Alumni Bulletin.

Another alumnus, ~~I. B. Finkle, A. B. class of 1907~~, has just this year joined the staff as full time teacher of law. Since his graduation he has had conferred upon him the degree of doctor of law by the University of Chicago.

These men and others of the staff bring to the School of Law an assistance of very great importance. They bring not only a knowledge of the fundamental principles of law, but also an intimate knowledge of its practical aspects. Today law schools are being asked the question, "Do you prepare your students to enter the actual practice, is your curriculum properly balanced between the theoretical and the practical?" They are also being asked what means are being used to familiarize the prospective lawyer with the work he is planning to enter. Here at Valparaiso, as in the days of DeMotte, Jones and the Gillettes, we seek to give the student instruction in subjects of practical importance. We seek also to throw him in contact with successful men now practicing law, because we feel that these men can give him something that we who give our full time to the teaching of Law cannot give, no matter what our past experience. They come to us fresh from the law office or the court room and their very presence brings the student to a greater familiarity with the work he is preparing to do. Without sacrificing a proper emphasis on the principles applied in the various branches of law, without neglecting jurisprudence, we are seeking to keep ever in sight the tradition of the old Valparaiso. We strive to the utmost of our ability to make the training given in the School of Law practical as well as

HISTORY OF COL. DEMOTTE

Man After Whom This Town Was

(Judge Norton, of Valparaiso, in a

June 6, 1930, issue of the Valparaiso University Alumni Bulletin, gave the following short sketch about Col. Mark L. DeMotte, after whom this town was named. We think it will be of interest to our readers.—Ed.)

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This couple was Rev. Daniel DeMotte and wife, and to them in their humble home on Dec. 28, 1832, only 16 years after Indiana became a state, was born a son, Mark L. DeMotte. After a preliminary schooling this son was graduated from the Methodist college called Asbury, later DePauw University, at Greencastle. He received the degree of A. B. in 1853 and two years later graduated in law and received his LL.B., and at once began the practice of law at Valparaiso. The next year he was elected prosecuting attorney of the district then comprising Lake, Porter, LaPorte, St. Joseph, Marshall and Starke counties.

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His wife was Elizabeth Christy, who died in 1890. One daughter, Louise, died before her father; and Mary, the other daughter, married J. H. Wilson. Mr. DeMotte later married Miss Clara Stevens, who survived him.

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DeMotte Tale Is Story Of County

(EDITOR'S NOTE—354th in Porter County historical series based on fact and legend as compiled by a local journalist.)

By THE STROLLER

The life story of Mark L. DeMotte is a tale of Porter county from 1855 to 1908.

He was born in 1832, and came to Porter county as a graduate lawyer in 1855. Blond haired, blond bearded, barbered in the latest style of the day, he was a conspicuous figure in Valparaiso for almost 50 years.

As a boy he heard of the raging Battle of the Alamo, he followed the election of all presidents from Harrison to Teddy Roosevelt, and he protested the oppression visited upon the migrating Mormons.

The Gold Rush of '49, the purchase of Alaska, the opening of the first Continental railway, the invention of the telegraph, the telephone, the phonograph and the incandescent lamp were part of his life-time.

Ranked As Colonel

The first radio, the Spanish American war and the first aeroplane came in his later years. He served in the Civil War emerging with the title of Colonel.

In many of his speeches he said the greatest event in his life was hearing the Gettysburg Address. From an old newspaper this extract from one of his addresses, is copied:

"Only three men from the army that had defended Harrisburg some four and a half months before, while the Battle of Gettysburg raged 40 miles away to the south, were enabled to go to the James Getty Cemetery to attend the dedication of the National Cemetery. They were Army Chaplain McCabe, Capt. Benjamin Butterworth, and myself.

"We had ridden many weary hours to get there, stopping only briefly at the Cavalry encampment on the college grounds, to feed and water our tired horses. Over a thousand Confederate and Union soldiers had been buried there after the awful three-day battle ending July 4th, 1863.

Speakers' Stand Erected

"The tract had been designated a National Cemetery. A thousand of the graves had not yet been marked. On the ridge a speakers' stand had been erected. It was surrounded with flags and bunting, and a broad strip of black crepe. At one side stood the Army band. On the platform was a select group of dignitaries.

"As we rode up to the edge of the crowd, Edward Everett had just been introduced. He spoke for three hours—and the only thing now preserved that he said was 'Where should soldiers be buried but where they fall?'—and that phrase he had used before at the Lexington cemetery. But every word uttered by President Lincoln in that famed Gettysburg Address has been prepared by an appreciative nation.

"As we sat there on our weary spraddle-legged horses—who were only too willing to stand quietly there amid the crowd—we joined in the applause that followed Everett's great oration and paused for the President's dedicatory remarks. Many in the great crowd had started to drift away, families were being arranged in the farm wagons, and the several companies of soldiers were still standing attention, as the Regiment stood there glancing at a small crumpled paper in his hand. Then he began his address.

"For a moment there was some inattention as the gaunt figure stepped further toward the edge of the platform, but suddenly everything was quiet again. They listened. The speech was a masterpiece of short oration. Its structure, its thought, its purity of sentiment, and its simplicity of diction were remarkable, and clearly understandable.

"For a time it was accepted as a sort of reverent commentary—a prayer perhaps—and as such it was not applauded. One would have as soon have applauded the Lord's Prayer. The people then departed as from a church service. It was Nov. 19, 1863."

Copy Preserved

Col. DeMotte never said he recognized the address as a masterpiece. In fact, of all the newspapermen present, only one wrote of the dedication as being outstanding. The President obligingly gave his scribbled copy to some official present, whose duty it was to preserve the utterances of a President. Later Lincoln wrote a copy for the papers—and still later he wrote and had printed an autographed copy for distribution at the Sailors and Soldiers Fair.

Day by day comments appeared in the magazines and newspapers. The oration of the great Edward Everett was neglected, as thinking people realized the greatness of the Dedication Address by Lincoln. Today there is probably not a true copy of the Everett address in existence while the Gettysburg Address appears in uncounted thousands of text books and histories.

Col. DeMotte entered the army in 1861, serving first with the 4th Indiana, and then with Capt. Malroy. He participated in the Second Battle of Bull Run, and in Pope's Campaign, and then was assigned guard Harrisburg

If the number of newspaper columns devoted to the demise of a citizen is a criterion of his worth, Col. Mark L. DeMotte was Valparaiso's most outstanding citizen. He was a lawyer, a teacher, a soldier, a congressman, and a writer. After the war he devoted his attention to the last-named occupation.

Sets Up Law Department

He went to Lexington, Mo., and hung out his shingle as an attorney—and bought the Lexington Register. As publisher and editor he took an active interest in politics and built his paper up to such a level that he profitably sold it in 1877, and returned to Valparaiso.

In 1879 he established the Law Department of Valparaiso university. He was able to induce men of recognized ability in the law, to give of their time and talent, teaching in the college, and he was himself an active teacher in the Law school.

He served one term in the Indiana State Senate, and one term in Congress, and was postmaster in Valparaiso for a period of four years.

"His father, Daniel, was a Methodist pioneer circuit rider, and his mother of that sturdy type of woman who complained not at the hardship of being a preacher's wife, wrote William S. Hamilton. "She gave cheer and comfort to her husband in his chosen work.

From Christian Home

"With that kind of parents this Hoosier boy spent the formative years of his life. The first assurance that the Valparaiso Law college would become a great school was the fact that its founder, Mark L. DeMotte, was the product of a Christian home. While much favorable mention can be made of his work as a writer, as an author of several stories and books, and as a practicing attorney, the outstanding work of his life was his position as Dean and teacher in the Law School which he founded."

Col. DeMotte was president of the Western Writers association for two terms. Many of his published short stories are recognized as thinly disguised tale of home folks. He was a deeply religious man, never missed Chapel at the university, and always took an active part in church and Sunday school affairs.

"On June 18, 1955, there was unveiled in Maplewood cemetery a suitable monument at the grave of Col. Mark L. DeMotte. That stone will stand through the years as a silent, reverent memorial to the founder of the Valparaiso Law school. Dean DeMotte's life and character will stand through the ages as a benediction in the lives of the graduates of the school which he founded," said Hamilton, of the Law Class of 1902.

The monument is of Vermont granite, and was erected by the alumni who graduated under Col. DeMotte. Several great lawyers were his pupils.

Col. DeMotte, Valparaiso Soldiers Carry Out Orders

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By THE STROLLER

On this Memorial Day weekend the story is recalled how somehow in the turmoil of the Civil War, Col. Mark DeMotte and a contingent of 15 soldiers, mostly from Valparaiso, got orders to take over the Harrisburg Supply Depot.

The personnel stationed at the depot had been incapacitated by an epidemic.

DeMotte's small force had been moving through Pennsylvania on horseback, when Gen. Kelly ordered them to go to Harrisburg at once. Gen. Kelly and his staff of 10 men were riding aboard a stray locomotive, but soon found they couldn't move because the enemy had cut the rails.

So Gen. Kelly and his staff com-

mandered enough horses from DeMotte's outfit to return to their destination by horseback.

This meant that the colonel's group mostly marched afoot into Harrisburg.

Uses Newspaper Ads

There Col. DeMotte was assigned to the job of temporary quartermaster, with orders to assemble a train load of knock-down wagons and ambulances, to assemble a thousand sets of harness, and to break a train load of miscellaneous horses and mules to army work—and that with 15 men.

However, the local car shops had a patriotic foreman who brought his 166 workmen to help with the job. DeMotte put advertisements in Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore papers for 500 civilian laborers to "assemble wagons and harness." As a result he got the toughest characters the back alleys and slum streets could produce, mostly those who were trying to evade the draft. His crew ranged in ages from 16 to 66.

Orders were pouring into the Supply Depot to send fully equipped wagon trains everywhere—and so far there hadn't been a single wagon wholly assembled. The 15 men from Valparaiso, Lt. Octavius Benney, Capt. Isaac Cross, Cpl. Ben Butterworth and a dozen privates each took a gang of the civilians and started work.

Col. DeMotte soon had orders from the government to go to the mint at Philadelphia and get \$60,000 for his payroll. So while the men worked he went to get the money. The currency made a pile a foot square and three and a half feet high. It was assorted into 5, 10 and 25-cent and \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20 denominations, so divided that he could meet any payroll demands.

It was dusk—after a week's delay—that the management of the mint put the currency on the shipping room floor—without any wrapping, boxes, or containers. Then the workers turned away and went home, with only the guards on duty around the building.

Somehow DeMotte had to get that money to Harrisburg without being killed or robbed.

(EDITOR'S NOTE—In a letter to the Stroller Jessie B. Philley said: "I was administratrix of the Mame DeMotte Wilson estate and became custodian of many family papers. The enclosed army records about Col. DeMotte's experience with \$60,000 might make a story.")

With only a Negro porter on the grounds, DeMotte had to get that money safely to a hotel that night, and then catch an early dawn train for Harrisburg. In those days a man was frequently killed if he displayed a \$10 bill.

Hires Porter

The colonel sent the porter to a nearby store to buy a couple quires of brown wrapping paper, and a ball of heavy string. He made a package of the money. It weighed more than 50 pounds.

He hired the Porter to carry it through the street on his shoulder. The colonel strolled open-eyed, but apparently casually, behind. They got to the hotel safely. The colonel rented a room and pulled the bed across the door, and sat up all night guarding the money. At train time he hired another porter to carry the bundle

to the Harrisburg train. There he placed it in a coach seat beside him, and breathed his first sigh of relief.

Back on the job the disgruntled workmen were cashing 'orders' with a money broker, at ruinous rates. They cashed \$10,000 worth, and spent it in the saloons.

The men at the mint had been angry that their routine had been disrupted by DeMotte with his government order. They usually ran their plates in three-day intervals—and here was an insistent officer that wanted them to change from 5 cents, to 10 and 25 cents and from one dollar to five, 10 and 20, all in one rush order.

Crew Reluctant

Ordinarily it would have taken a month to fill such an order. As it was they stalled until a week had elapsed, and DeMotte got in touch with the government, complaining about the delay. So with a hot tempered reluctance, they changed plates as the order required but when they finished the order, they piled it up on the shipping floor.

But from the hour he accepted the delivery, in the shipping room, until he got on the Harrisburg train he had nothing to eat or drink. He couldn't leave the package.

At a wayside stop on the Harrisburg run Col. DeMotte pretended an injured hip and hired a passenger to go out and buy him a meal. It cost double, and what he got was a cold apple pie, some stale doughnuts, and a so-called ham sandwich that had seen better days. But he ate it—and was hungry enough to enjoy every bite.

When the train pulled into Harrisburg, DeMotte picked up his bundle and got off on a darkened side street, and hurried to the Supply Depot office. He said he aged considerably in that journey.

Broker Is Robbed

The same night he cashed the broker's order for something slightly above \$10,000. The broker was robbed of every cent of it.

Sometime during the evening of the robbery a drunk flopped close to the door of the civilian barracks. The workmen let the drunk lie near the door step over night. Early the next morning they thought they'd offer him a meal—but he had gone. DeMotte often wondered if he hadn't been perfectly sober, and a watcher for the robbery gang.

The old war records, now crumbling, are incomplete, but in addition to Butterworth, Cross, and Benney the names of Bill Brummit, Elias Axe, Bob Graham, Bill Malone, Manifold Thatcher, Bill Blachly and Sam Kouts appears."

Department of Law Established in 1879

Prominent Alumni

The law department of Valparaiso university, originally the Northern Indiana Normal school, had its beginning in 1879. The late Colonel Mark L. DeMotte, collaborating with President H. B. Brown, was its founder and remained its dean until his death in September, 1908.

Starting from a small beginning the law department grew rapidly in popularity and soon became one of the important adjuncts of the institution. For many years under the management of Colonel DeMotte the annual enrollment of this department was in excess of one hundred students and the graduates the last year of his regime numbered forty-three. There were enrolled in the classes, students from practically all of the states and from foreign countries.

Type of Students

While the entrance requirements were not high, the class of students admitted was of a superior type. The students, for the most part, consisted of young men and women who came here to work and which they did with a vengeance. They were imbued with the same character of industry and determination to go forward that prevailed in other departments of the institution.

Alumni Successful

The graduates of this early period were uniformly successful and did not suffer by comparison with

order of ability. I have in mind such men as Judge D. N. Straup of the Supreme Court of Utah, now serving his fourth term in that position; Honorable Augustus Thomas of the Court of Appeals of the State of Kentucky, who has served long and ably in that position; the Honorable Flem D. Sampson, the present governor of Kentucky, who also served with distinction as a member of the Court of Appeals of that state. Three of the present seven judges of the Porter County, Indiana, courts, namely Judges E. Miles Norton, M. W. Smith and C. V. Ridgely, are former graduates of the Valparaiso Law School. I could mention many others were it practical within the limits of this article so to do. There is scarcely a county seat town in Indiana or in any adjoining state that does not number among its citizens some one or more of the graduates of the Valparaiso Law School. These men hold leading positions in their profession or have served their respective communities or states in high public positions.

Colonel DeMotte

Colonel DeMotte himself was a man of sterling character and possessed of a high order of ability. He appears elsewhere in another number in this number of the Bulletin. His genial personality indelibly impressed itself upon the minds and hearts of his students; they all revered and respected him. He was more than an instructor; he was a friend, counselor, confidential advisor and father to many of them. Among the Colonel's varied achievements, it was as head of the Law School that he shone brightest. It is in this field that the influence of his splendid personality will longest endure. He was ably assisted in his work by leading members of the Porter County Bar, including the Honorable Thomas J. [unclear] field, the first Mayor of Valparaiso.

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Political Career

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An Appreciation

Col. DeMotte was a very human instructor. He constantly injected into the dry drudgery of legal study human experiences filled with humor or pathos, or both, to illustrate the principle, or clinch the rule. No recitation or class hour under him ever became tedious. Sometimes his wit and repartee were used to spur the laggard student, but they seldom generated resentment. His human sympathy reached the heart of every one of "his boys," and lightened every task. His deep personal interest in each separate and particular one made him seem a father to us all.

In the memory of every law student fortunate enough to have sat at his feet, his jovial yet dignified, happy though forceful, disposition, will always remain a "pleasant benediction."

DE MOTTE, Mark Lindsey, a Representative from Indiana born in Rockville, Parke County, Ind., December 28, 1838, pursued preparatory studies; was graduated from the literature department of Indiana Asbury (now De Pauw) University, Greencastle, Ind., in 1853 and from the law department of same university in 1855; was admitted to the bar and began practice in Valparaiso in 1855; elected prosecuting attorney the sixty-seventh judicial district in 1856; served in the U. S. Army during the Civil War with the rank of first lieutenant 1861; promoted to captain in 1862; at the close of the war moved to Lexington, Mo., and resumed the practice of law; editor and proprietor of the Lexington Register; unsuccessful publican candidate for election to Congress in 1872 and 1 delegate to the Republican National Convention at Cincinnati in 1876; returned to Valparaiso, Ind., in 1877 and resumed the practice of law; organized the Northern Indiana Law School in 1879; elected as a Republican to the Forty-seventh Congress (March 4, 1881-March 3, 1883); unsuccessful candidate for reelection in 1882 to the Forty-eighth Congress; member the State senate 1886-1890; appointed postmaster of Valparaiso March 24, 1890, and served until March 20, 1894; dean of Northern Indiana Law School 1890-1908; died in Valparaiso, Porter County, Ind., September 23, 1908; interment in Wood Cemetery.

LAUNCHINGS
OF

Colonel Mark L. De Motte:

The man who has never turned from his pursuit of success and extended a helping hand to another who is down has missed the very luxury of living.

If the educated, busy and virtuous citizens of this Republic do not govern it, the ignorant, the vicious and the idle will.

Think of your friends. If your enemy is half as bad as you think him he is not worth a minute of your time.

In this country where we govern ourselves, we always have as good a government as we deserve.

He who sees no good in this world but insists that everything is going to the devil, is there himself.

Avoid the man with the corners of his mouth turned down; you will find the corners of his temper up.

The man who is too busy, or too good, to take part in politics is nullius in filius, and unworthy his rich inheritance.

Today that man is best educated who can influence and control for good the largest number of men.

Law Alumni Will Honor Col. DeMotte

Monument Will
Be Unveiled In
Founder's Memory

Vindicator June 17, 1955

A monument to the founder of the Valparaiso University School of Law will be unveiled at his grave during the annual meeting of the VU Law Alumni association on Saturday, according to Dr. John W. Morland, law dean emeritus.

The monument will honor Col. Mark L. DeMotte, a distinguished Civil War officer, U. S. Congressman, founder of the Valparaiso School of Law, and the man for whom the town of DeMotte in Jasper county (population: 900) was named.

Col. DeMotte founded the School of Law in 1879, 76 years ago, and remained as its head until his death in 1908. The monument to

his memory will be unveiled at 2 p. m. in Maplewood cemetery, directly south of Graceland cemetery on U. S. 30 and Indiana 49.

DeMotte Memorial committee members are Mrs. Vadae Harvey Meekison of Napoleon, O., chairman; George E. Herschman of Crown Point, secretary-treasurer; L. L. Bomberger of Hammond; and H. M. Cooley of Jonesboro, Ark.

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Nathaniel E. Bowden.

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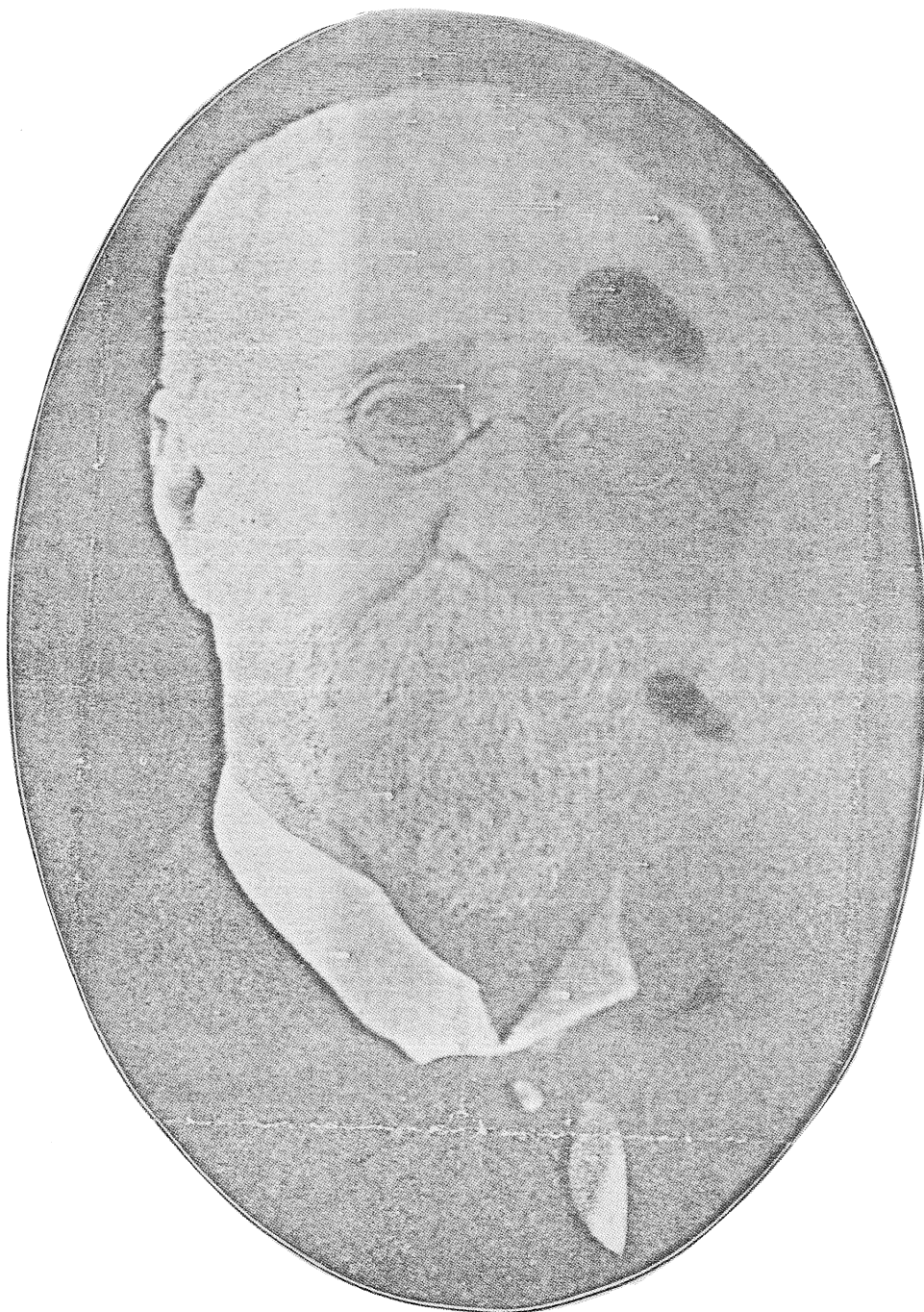
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DEAN MARK L. DEMOTTE

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tribute to De Motte

THE NORTHERN INDIANA LAW SCHOOL.



HON. MARK L. DEMOTTE, DEAN.

The Department of Law was organized as the Northern Indiana Law School on the first of November, 1879. As in the organization of the parent school, so in this, the underlying thought was to *reduce the expenses* of professional education, without reducing the standard. A large part of the brightest young people of this country have neither wealthy and willing parents or friends, nor inherited wealth. While the reduction of expense is gladly accepted by those who have plenty, it makes it possible for their less fortunate friends to join them, and *earn their own way*.



T. H. HEARD.

The course of study was made thorough from the beginning, and the most approved text books introduced. While other methods were not disapproved, it was evident that a great number of "lecturers" could not be employed, and good faith prevented the advertisement of a number who took no part with the teaching force. Experience shows that the "lecture system" is eminently successful with fifty out of one hundred average law



FLORENCE HIGGINS.

students, but does not give the best results with the other fifty, so the "Dwight system" was adopted. They are well satisfied after nearly twenty years experience, that to assign the student definite work for each day, and require him to state and illustrate the subject matter of that assignment in the presence of his class, and submit to the criticism of his fellows and teacher, gives him a *more available knowledge of the law* than any other method. The students of this school have proven this before the examining committees of twenty states.

That the profession may judge of the thoroughness of the course their attention is called to the fact that among the required text books are found Kent's Commentaries, Parsons on Contracts, Cooley on Torts and Constitutional Limitations, Stephen on Pleading, Greenleaf on Evidence, with other standard works familiar to every lawyer. It has been said of this school, by way of criticism, that it "is too easy to enter, and too hard to get through."



HON. H. A. GILLETT. Leaving out the word "too" the expression would cease to be a criticism and become a simple statement of fact. There is no reason why *any person*, regardless of age, sex, or condition, who has a good moral character, should not be allowed to acquire a profession if he can. There are no requirements for admission to the junior class, the student must earn his degree before he gets it.

The Law School opened in November 1879 with one senior and fifteen juniors, and has steadily increased in numbers and usefulness. The enrollment of last year was 166, 63 in the senior class, and 103 in the junior. This enrollment exceeds that of any Law School in this state, or which has ever been in the state since its admission to the Union. It has not, as many schools have, a populous and wealthy city to support it. It derives its support from that large body of young people in all the states who are either forging their own way or have a care how they spend what they have obtained in other ways.



PROF. A. L. JONES.

THE FACULTY.

Dean DeMotte and Judge H. A. Gillett had charge of the first classes in 1879, and are still of the faculty. In the ninth year of the school Judge A. Lytle Jones was added, and later on, Attorney T. H. Heard and Prof. Florence Higgins. These constitute the present teaching force. They are all residents of Valparaiso, and are at all times ready and willing to aid the student.

The twentieth year of the Law School will open on the 30th day of August, and continue for forty weeks without vacation. From present indications the enrollment will be the largest in the history of the school.

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Dedicated to the memory of
COL. MARK L. DeMOTTE,

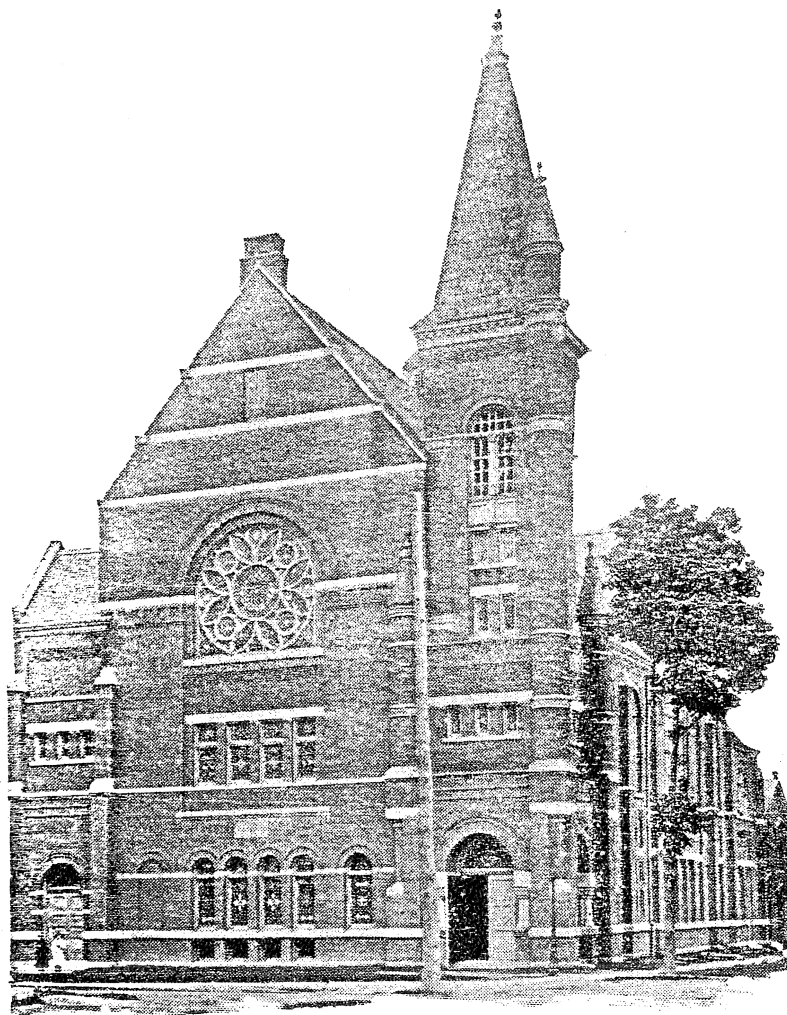
For twenty-eight years Dean of Valparaiso Law School.



The people mourn! Not simply the people of Valparaiso, the people of Porter county, the people of Indiana. From the everglades of Florida to the moaning pines of Maine; from the pearl of the Antilles to the land of the rising sun; from

the orient, and from the occident, from the uttermost ends of the earth, a voice of mourning is heard. For there is hardly a nation on the globe but has some citizen who knew our Colonel DeMotte and to know him was to love him.

First M. E. Church
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Where the funeral
was held.

PAY THE LAST SAD TOKEN OF RESPECT.

Hundreds of citizens, neighbors and life-long friends called at the home of the late Colonel DeMotte this morning to view the remains as they lay in state, to take one last look upon the features of one whom they loved in life and whose memory will be cherished in death.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Dr. J. M. Avann, pastor of the Methodist church, was in charge of the services and offered a touching prayer at the home. The remains were then taken to the Methodist church, where the obsequies were held. The large church was filled with sorrowing relatives and friends, and many were unable to gain admittance. The casket was surrounded with beautiful floral offerings, the gift of friends who in this manner sought to pay a silent tribute to the memory of the departed.

Mrs. Anna Ward Morony played an organ prelude, which was followed by a solo by Prof. Brewster.

Dr. M. H. Appleby, of Lebanon, made a few remarks and offered prayer.

Dr. Avann conducted the ritual service, follow-

ed by a solo, "Remember Now Thy Creator," softly sung by the Lyric quartet.

The local pastor then read a number of telegrams and letters of condolence from absent friends.

The principal address was delivered by Dr. H. L. Davis, of South Bend, who spoke feelingly of the life just closed. The Lyrics then sang "Lead Kindly Light," and short addresses were made by Dr. E. E. Edwards, of Greencastle, and H. B. Brown, the life-long and intimate friend of the deceased. The services at the church closed with a violin solo by Prof. August Wolf.

After the services at the church were over the funeral cortege wended its way to Maplewood cemetery, where the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the family burial lot.

Mark L. DeMotte was born near Rockville, Parke county, Indiana, December 28, 1832. His father, Rev. Daniel Brewer DeMotte, was a pioneer Methodist minister who labored in Indiana from 1830 until his death, in 1875. Deceased was the youngest of eight children, all of whom are now dead, excepting one brother, Will DeMotte, who resides in Indianapolis.



PRES. H. B. BROWN.

President Brown's Tribute—

AT CHAPEL.

"It seemed that Colonel DeMotte possessed every quality that went to make up a lovable character. I don't suppose there was a man, woman or child in town but loved Mr. DeMotte. They loved him because of his big heart. There was no one, rich or poor, that he would not help.

"A great rule of his life was that he would not worry. He lived up to the rule, and even in his last illness he was always cheerful and hopeful. He knew he had but a short time to live. When friends called he would say, 'Well, I'm still here. I'm going to get all out of this world that I can.'

"I think he was a marvelous man, lived a marvelous life in this community, and that his influence will be felt for many years. He did everything he could to make others happy. He shared their joys; he shared their sorrows. A most wonderful man."

AT M. E. CHURCH.

The warm handshake and the sparkle of the eye are gone.

If he could come back and see these floral offerings and hear the things said about him he would repeat those words so often used by him in life—"You are too, too good to me. I do not deserve it. I can never repay you."

"To me, Colonel DeMotte was a constant inspiration. We were associated a long time. We did not always agree, but we never had a disagreement that lasted over night.

"It was the Colonel's goodness, his kindness, his loving forbearance, that caused us to work together in such harmony for he was always the first to forgive.

"A man who can live in a community and inspire so many lives as Colonel DeMotte, certainly has done a great amount of good.

"We do not say good-bye for he will still be with us and walk with us, only in a higher and more glorious life."

VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY

No history of Valparaiso university Law school would be complete without reference to two men, Col. Mark L. DeMotte and Milo J. Bowman. Dean DeMotte, a veteran of the Civil war, a member of Congress, and one of the leading citizens of Valparaiso, founded the Law school in 1879 and remained at its head for 29 years until his death in September, 1908. He surrounded himself with an able faculty and there graduated under his influence numerous men who achieved great eminence. His last graduating class consisted of some 60 members.

He is still remembered by hundreds of his students for his breadth of knowledge and his sympathetic understanding of their problems. His character is somewhat portrayed by a favorite saying of his: "He or she who has never yet reached down into the gutter and helped up a fellow human being has never enjoyed the cream of living."



PROF. M. J. BOWMAN, the new Law Dean.

MEMORIA IN AETERNA.

Colonel DeMott is not dead, no, he is not dead for one who knows how to fertilize with his pure Saxon blood the fields of Virginia for the liberty of the negroes; who sacrificed all for his country, who prepared more than one generation of gladiators to spread the Lord's justice over the earth, and who passed by the American continent, leaving it a planet, awake with wonderful light—one who, as a master disseminated light into this world of darkness, can not die.

Colonel DeMott is not dead. He was a genius and a genius never dies.

One who was all love, fondness, and sweetness cannot die. He will ever live in the hearts of those who knew him.

If it is true that life is the out birth of death, Colonel DeMotte's life has begun. He died in this world to be born in another. When I saw him for the last time he was sitting in his arm chair with his watchful eyes turned to the sky as though calling to mind the happier remembrances of his life. Colonel DeMott's kindness to me when a stranger in a foreign land makes me mourn his loss and I invite thee, country of Washington, to mourn with me for thou has lost; lost one of thy greatest pillars and I, one of my best friends in this country.

The Lord has taken the Colonel to his right side. I extend to his mourning family my sincere condolence as does also the Cervantes Society of Valparaiso.

Jose E. Diaz,
Senior Law,
Barceloneta, P. R.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

Valparaiso, Ind., Sept. 26, 1908.

Whereas, The hand of Divine Providence has removed our beloved friend and dean, Mark L. DeMotte, and the students of the Law School, inaugurated and so successfully conducted under his wise and commendable supervision, are desirous of testifying their profound respect for his memory and expressing their earnest and affectionate sympathy with the household, thus deprived of its head, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that, in regretting his removal from our midst, we mourn for one who was in every way worthy of the highest respect and regard,

Resolved, That while we deeply sympathize with those who were bound to our beloved dean by the nearest and dearest ties, we share with them the hope of a reunion in that better world where there are no partings, and bliss ineffable forbids a tear.

Resolved, That the heartfelt sympathy of the members of the Law School be extended to the family and that these resolutions be spread upon the records of the law classes, and a copy thereof be transmitted to the family and be published in the University Herald, and in each of the newspapers of Valparaiso.

(Signed)

Geo. B. Cutting,
W. H. Woodruff,
C. F. Ballenger,
T. J. Mangan,
Carl Broo,
Luke F. Cuniff,
Committee of Law Department.

Gift - Elizabeth Reichenberg
Teacher V.U. 1904-1943

"Valparaiso has lost not merely a foremost citizen, a great teacher, but a man, and God's finest product is a man.

"I think I have never known a man who so overflowed with life.

"When I first came in contact with him I felt that I had touched a galvanic battery.

Age lays its spell upon many lives but age could not touch this man.

"He seems to have found the fabled fountain of youth. I do not wonder that men who touched him went away blessed.

"He was a manly man.

"He never struck a foe in the back. He contended face to face and when it was over he put out his hand to forgive."

Rev. Appleby.

At the funeral Rev. Davis spoke from the following text: "Now we look not at the things that are seen but at the things that are unseen, for the things that are seen are temporal but the things that are unseen are eternal."

Among other things he said "We judge man from three view points—his relation to himself, his relation to his fellowman, and his relation to his God."

"Colonel DeMotte was a man of splendid physique and a marvelous personality. We admired his mind—keen in perception, lofty in aspiration. But the silver chord is loosed, the golden bowl is broken.

The spirit of the man's life was dominated by a great sense of justice. He endeavored to arrive at that justice that grows out from a man's heart.

Judge not that ye be not judged was a maxium dear to his heart.

He did not believe in interfering with children at play. He often said 'They will arrive at a better justice themselves than we can for them.'

He had the spirit of patience.

He some how had a notion that while God was in heaven, on earth all would be well.

He often said 'I have been here a long while. This is a beautiful world. I'd like to stay here longer, but I've had my share.'

He had no sympathy with a scandal monger or a muckraker.

His heart was forgiveness itself.

He was harsh toward none, but forgiving to all.

'If every man, woman and child in this city that he had said a kind word to should drop but a single blossom upon his grave he would sleep tonight beneath a wilderness of flowers.'

He was true to himself, true to his fellowman, true to his God."—Rev. Davis.

THE JUNIOR LAW CLASS.

The members of the Junior Law Class met Wednesday, September 23, 1908, for the purpose of class organization. The meeting was called to order promptly at 7:30 p. m. and Taylor Bennett was chosen temporary chairman. In a few well chosen remarks he thanked the members of the class for the honor they had bestowed upon him and asked that a permanent chairman be elected.

The name of Mr. Dalton was presented and as there were no other names, he was chosen by acclamation. Mr. Smith was unanimously chosen for temporary secretary.

The regular business of the evening, the election of officers, was next taken up and speeches and oratorical displays that would put Taft, Hearst, Bryan, et. al., to shame, were indulged in. The following officers were finally selected: R. R. Dalton, President; Miss Martha E. Lattimore, Vice-President; C. R. Douglas, Secretary; C. N. Smith, Treasurer; Geo. O. Compton, Editor.

The question of participation in the funeral ceremonies of Dean M. L. DeMotte was taken up and final arrangements made.

It is surprising and amusing, to a certain extent, to note the different states represented in the class. From Maine on the north to Florida on the south, from Massachusetts on the east to California on the west, and even from our island possessions we have people who have come to participate in the privileges of the Law Department. Surely this speaks well of the Valparaiso University in general and particularly of the great work that is being done by Professor Bowman.

There is one person in the class that deserves particular mention, and that is our only lady classmate and vice-president, Miss Martha E. Lattimore. Miss Lattimore is a lady of strong personality, a deep thinker, and one who numbers her friends by her acquaintances. She was a member of the Scientific Class of '95 and has for a number of years been constantly before the public. Her great work in the "Royal Neighbors of America" and the Woman's Department of the "Woodmen's Casualty Company" distinguishes her as a woman of exceptional business and executive ability. Every member of the Junior Class will be pleased to know that she expects to be with us the full two years and every member will take pleasure in showing her all the courtesies due a lady of her standing.

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Quite a number of the Juniors are taking elocution. Undoubtedly this is a great help and Professor Reddie knows how to get results.

Hand the editor the news.

Harmony means strength.

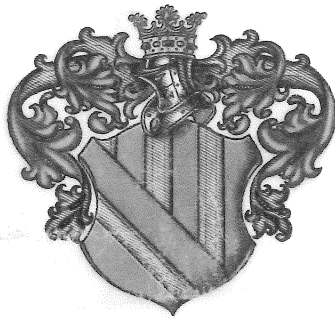
Who stole the fly poison?

The vice-president makes the offer of a contract with the president. The president remains silent. Is the contract binding?

Generation Column

Genealogy of Professor
B. J. DeMotte

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Lawrence DeMotte, Sr. 1719-1799	Peter Lawrence Jr. Dirck Abraham Johannes Dorothy Martha Deborah Sarah	Unknown	Daniel 1825-1910 Born Grant Co., Ky. Died in Kansas Buried in Missouri	William Lee 1866-1934	Joseph Daniel 1893-1970	Bobby Joe 1924



de La Motte

DeMOTTE and ALLIED FAMILIES